



CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Lions visit Grayling...1B

Prisoner's suicide under investigation

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff David Lovely has released very little information regarding the March 8 hanging death of a local man on the advice of his department's attorney.

According to the 911 Dispatch log, an ambulance was requested at 1:13 p.m. by a Sheriff's officer because an inmate "hung himself in the drunk tank."

Lovely states only that at approximately 1 p.m. that day, an inmate of the jail "apparently took his own life" and "No foul play is suspected, as the prisoner was alone in the holding area."

Attorney Gus Morris, who is representing the Sheriff's Department in the matter, said he has been called in as a matter of standard practice when the death of an inmate occurs.

Morris stated neither the Sheriff nor jail personnel were aware of John Schreiber's placement in the holding cell by Michigan Department of Corrections officer Frank Foguth. Schreiber had been called to the County Courthouse by Foguth for questioning regarding his possible involvement in other criminal matters.

According to court records, Schreiber's criminal history is dotted with probation and parole violations. He was convicted in 1992 on two separate forgery charges. For the first conviction, he was placed on 36 months probation and ordered to pay fines and court costs. He was sentenced to 12 months in jail and ordered to pay fines and court costs for the second conviction.

In February 1993 Schreiber pled guilty to a probation violation and was sentenced to one year in the Crawford County Jail. In June 1995, he violated his probation again and was sentenced to 100 to 168 months in state prison.

At the time of his death, Schreiber was one of 3,000 Michigan prisoners considered eligible for commu-

nity work status. Michigan Department of Corrections spokeswoman Laura Young said prisoners considered for the program are screened and officials choose those who have the best chance of successful re-entry into society through employment within their community while wearing an electronic monitoring device.

Although the man's name has yet to be officially released by the Sheriff's Department, word of his death leaked out within minutes from undisclosed sources inside the County Building complex, leaving the Sheriff with very little time to notify the next of kin before they found out through news spreading on the streets of Grayling.

During the Personnel and Labor Committee meeting, members of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners aired their concerns about the lack of sensitivity shown by some county workers regarding the man's death, as well as previous incidences of disclosure of information filed with the county and the courts.

The Committee agreed that while most information discussed beyond the County Building walls was ultimately part of public record (such as who obtained a marriage license, who filed for divorce, or who bought what land) county employees should adhere to the philosophy of holding the public's trust and behave in an ethical manner.

Regardless of how the word got out, John Schreiber, 30, of Grayling was found dead in a holding cell near the courtrooms at 1:07 p.m., exactly 45 minutes from the time he was placed there. He had hung himself by wrapping his belt around the cell's bars.

A spokesman for Stephan Wood Products where Schreiber was employed, said he was called at work around 11:30 a.m. and told to

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Michigan's new seat belt law now in effect

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Failing to buckle up will now cost drivers \$40 if stopped in Crawford County. Michigan's new safety belt law, allowing law enforcement officers to stop drivers violating the law, went into effect March 10.

Previously, police could only ticket drivers for failing to use safety belts as a secondary violation. The driver had to be in violation of another traffic code to be stopped. All of that has changed now.

The new law states:

- Children under one to three years old must be secured in a child safety seat whether riding in the front or back seat.

- Children four to 15 years old must wear a safety belt at all times.

- Young people 16 years and older, including adults, must wear a safety belt while driving or riding in the front seat. A safety belt is recommended, but not required, while riding in the back seat.

Drivers are advised to check their

vehicles' insurance policies to see if they have agreed to have all passengers buckled up under the conditions of their particular policies. Those who have agreed to this stipulation, may find themselves without coverage in the event of an accident if everyone in the vehicle is not wearing a safety belt.

Fines for violating the new law vary around the state of Michigan because they are based on local court costs.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the state can expect to realize an increase of safety belt use of up to 10 percent, based on figures from other states instituting the same enforcement laws. State-wide since 1994, safety belt usage has increased from nearly 63 percent to just over 70 percent. However, in the 16 to 29 year age group, safety belt usage has fallen

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Grayling Police recover stolen goods

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

A Flint couple with an extensive history of prior criminal convictions for retail fraud, was arrested February 25 after making the Kmart store in Grayling their latest victim.

Douglas Lafette Short, 43, and his wife Carol Beth Short, 42, were arrested for retail fraud and possibly strong armed robbery for stealing more than \$5,000 in electronics, video games, cellular phones, movie videos, Polaroid film and other items.

Grayling Police Officer Dennis Long said Mrs. Short waited outside of Kmart in a running vehicle waiting for her husband to leave the store with whatever he could hide on himself.

When Mr. Short tried to exit the store, security alarms were activated and store employee Robert Rizzo pursued him out to the waiting vehicle where Short allegedly



Photo courtesy of the Grayling Police Department

Police have recovered over \$3,500 in merchandise stolen last month from local businesses.

assaulted him twice. Rizzo received only minor injuries.

The Shorts fled southbound on I-75, but made it only as far as West Branch where their vehicle broke down.

An Ogemaw County Sheriff's Officer on routine patrol spotted the vehicle and treated the situation as a motorist assist call until he learned an all points bulletin had been issued for the couple. Long said a

local motel owner took down the plate number at the time the couple registered for lodging and left behind packaging material from the stolen merchandise. With assistance from Ogemaw, the Shorts were arrested and returned to Crawford County.

Merchandise stolen from the Grayling Kmart totalled \$3,070. Other merchandise worth \$438 was stolen from Glen's Market.

The Shorts will also face charges in Bay County for stealing \$1,541 in merchandise from the Kmart and Meijer's stores in Bay City, as well as \$171 in merchandise police suspect was stolen from a Kroger store in Saginaw.

The Shorts are expected to be charged with three counts each of receiving and concealing stolen property for their two-day shoplifting spree.

Hatchery project receives much needed boost

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

The Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Project got a real shot in the arm this week when a donation of \$10,000 from four brothers was received by Steering Committee Chairman Pat Merrill in honor of their parents.

About two weeks ago, Merrill received a phone call from David Burnett, Jr. of Lathrup Village. Burnett told Merrill he and his three siblings had spent a lot of time at the Hatchery over the years and, after reading about the project in the Avalanche, wanted to help out. When Burnett announced the amount the family wished to donate, Merrill said he almost fell out of his

chair.

The brother's four checks arrived recently, totaling \$10,000, along with a letter from Burnett stating, "The Fish Hatchery has been a part of our lives for many years (some of us for more than 50 years) and we would like to collectively support the project. Please accept this donation in memory of Dorothy and David Burnett," their parents. Besides David, Jr., making \$2,500 donations each are Bruce of Westlake, Ohio, William of Birmingham, and Robert of Toledo, Ohio.

Speaking for the Steering Committee, Merrill said, "We are ecstatic about this donation. It is the most wonderful and firm indication

that the Hatchery Restoration Project is a worthwhile investment."

Since late February, when the push began to obtain a total of \$60,000 in matching local funds, over \$22,000 has been collected.

Besides the generous donation by the Burnett family, donating thus far are: the Community Improvement Fund, Dave and Jill Wyman, Grayling Uptown District Association, Billy and Jean Reed, Weyerhaeuser, Century 21 River Country, Terry Bloomquist, Charlotte Mosel, Grayling Promotional Association, Wayne and Judy Clinton, and the Grayling Eagles Ladies Auxiliary. Funds are also being collected at area businesses in the Hatchery's "fish banks."

Also, at their March 13 meeting, the Grayling City Council voted 4-0 in favor of pledging \$5,000 to help meet the project's local matching fund goal.

But, time is running out to meet the Clean Michigan Initiative's April 1 grant application deadline. Not only are cash donations needed, but pledges of future donations are acceptable toward meeting the local goal. All donations to the project are tax-deductible and appropriate receipts are issued promptly to donors.

Anyone wishing to make a donation or a pledge of future donations, should mail either to: Grayling Fish Hatchery Restoration Project, P.O. Box 1128, Grayling, MI 49738.

Drug bust nets \$10,000 in crack cocaine

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

A six-month investigation led the Crawford County Sheriff's Department and the Michigan State Police Strike Team Investigative Narcotics Group (S.T.I.N.G.) to issue a search warrant for a home located on Margrethe Boulevard near Finch Street in Grayling Township.

The search was carried out at about 2 a.m. on March 9, said Lt. Mark Chapman, S.T.I.N.G. Commander.

Thomas J. Lozon, 31, of Grayling

was arrested and charged with possession with intent to deliver cocaine. Additional charges are pending. Chapman said Lozon has Detroit connections and believes further arrests will be made.

Seized from the home were two

ounces of crack cocaine, "a substantial amount by northern Michigan standards," said Chapman. The crack has a street value of \$10,000.

Also seized was an undisclosed amount of marijuana, drug paraphernalia and \$3,100 in cash.

Lozon's wife, Betty, was also

arrested because she was wanted on outstanding charges of writing a non-sufficient funds check.

Neighbors of the Lozons said there were a lot of visitors to the home at all hours of the night and visits never lasted very long. They had been concerned about illegal

activities for some time and were worried about how they would affect the children in the neighborhood.

The Lozons' two small children were taken into protective custody by the Family Independence Agency until family members were notified.

Super Rummage Sale benefits grads

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Project Graduation's second annual Super Rummage Sale will be held March 17, 18 and 19 at the vacant Ben Franklin store at the Grayling Mini Mall.

"We have tons of stuff from furniture to appliances, books to household items, and lots of clothing," said Project Graduation Committee

spokesperson Tina Bassett. "There's a big variety of quality items to choose from." And, Bassett said she just received more items they still have to go through. A silent auction will also be held for a few select items.

The sale is a major fund raising event for Project Graduation, the annual all-night party thrown for the graduating class of Grayling High

School. Games, music, food and prizes are provided in a safe, chaperoned environment at an undisclosed location. Bassett said local businesses and organizations have been very supportive of the event for graduating seniors.

Sale hours are: Friday from 12 noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday from 12 noon to 4 p.m.

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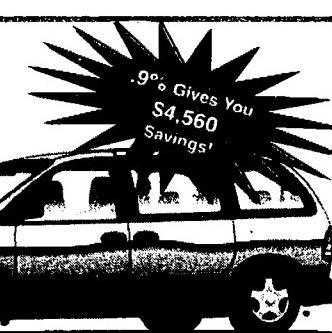
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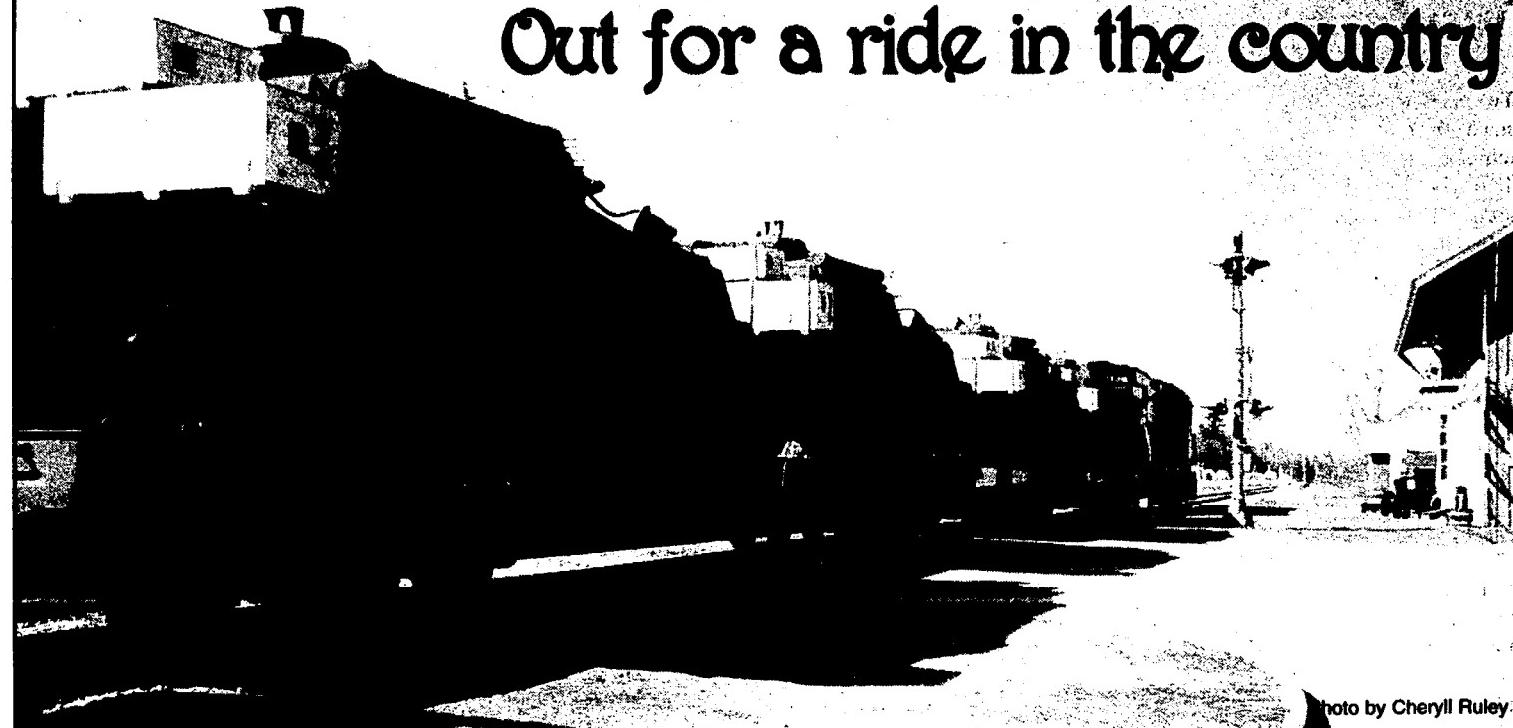


photo by Cheryll Ruley

TANKS A LOT - With whistles blowing, wheels chugging and rails bending slightly under the weight, a freight train loaded with olive green military tanks passed through Grayling last Tuesday... destination unknown. It was one of those unusually warm days and many folks were outside to watch the hardware go by.

Prisoner's suicide remains under investigation

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report to Foguth's office at 12 noon that day. At about 2 p.m., when he did not return to work, his employer placed a call to Foguth in order to find out if Schreiber would be

returning to work. The answer his employer got was, "No, not ever."

"I'm shocked," said the spokesman, who asked that his name not be used. "He was here one minute... then he was gone."

Schreiber was one of three Stephan employees hired while on an electronically monitored tether. The company spokesman said Schreiber was almost obsessive about keeping in touch with Foguth

Robin spotted earlier than first reported

According to a message left on the Message Board at web site Northbirding.com, while driving home from work the morning of February 29, Alan Bean reported seeing a robin perched on a power line at the corner of Park and Lake Streets.

This beats the spotting by Mr. and Mrs. Art Thayer that occurred on March 5, as reported in the March 9 edition of the Avalanche.

Effective Monday, March 13, permits can be issued for full overland and oversized permits on all state trunkline highways from the Indiana and Ohio borders to Mackinac City, however the Mackinac Bridge still has load restrictions.

Weight restrictions remain in effect on all state trunklines within the remainder of the state. There are no restrictions for legal loads on those trunklines designated as "all season" trunklines.

All extended permits will be valid for oversize loads on the restricted routes. Permits will not be issued for any loads exceeding 14 feet in width within the restricted area.

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for fear of returning to prison.

"John was a dependable, loyal, hard worker and he will be missed," the spokesman said. "Our sympathy goes to his family."

The spokesman said he attended Schreiber's funeral on March 11 where he heard that when Schreiber's body arrived at Sorenson Funeral Home, his pants' pockets still contained personal items, paving the way for questions concerning whether the inmate went through an official intake procedure.

Sheriff Lovely stated Schreiber had been properly processed into the jail the same way hundreds of others have been over the years. Morris said, "There are procedures for those prisoners who show signs of suicidal tendencies and they are placed in an appropriate holding cell. At no time did Schreiber

exhibit any indication of depression or make a verbal warning about taking his life."

Regarding procedures when a community work prisoner is brought in for questioning, Young said it is not customary to collect his personal belongings before placing him in a holding cell, unless there is reason to do so.

Schreiber leaves behind a ten-year old daughter and an infant daughter, along with his mother, one sister, two brothers, and 12 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father in 1992.

Lovely said the matter is currently under investigation, but he must abstain from any further comment. All questions must now be directed to Morris, who said no suit has been filed in connection with Schreiber's death.

Bradstreet achieves perfect attendance for '99 sessions

State Rep. Ken Bradstreet has achieved a perfect attendance record for the 1999 legislative year.

The Gaylord Republican participated in every legislative session last year, as well as in all hearings before committees he serves on.

"It is my privilege to serve the 105 District and I take the responsibility very seriously," Bradstreet said. "My constituents sent me to Lansing to represent them and I am honored to be here on their behalf."

Bradstreet said he is pleased to be part of what was considered a phenomenal year that included passage of tax relief and family-oriented legislation.

Bradstreet serves as vice chair on the Energy and Technology Committee, and is a member of the Agriculture and Resource Management, Constitutional Law and Ethics, and Education committees.

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Two GHS seniors to compete at state Junior Miss finals

Twenty-one outstanding young women from around the state of Michigan, all high school seniors, will arrive in Alpena, Sunday, March 19, vying for a share of \$10,000 in cash college scholarships and over \$775,000 in college scholarships, along with the title of Michigan's Junior Miss.

The young lady chosen Michigan's Junior Miss will have a chance to represent the state at the national program to be broadcasted live over TNN from Mobile, Alabama. America's Junior Miss finals will be held in late June.

The state winner will be named at the 42nd Annual Michigan State Junior Miss Scholarship Program on Saturday, March 25 at Alpena High School's Stanley C. Beck Auditorium. Representing Grayling will be Brandi McClain, 1999 Grayling Junior Miss. She is the daughter of Dave and Gayle McClain of Grayling. Also, AuSable River Valley Junior Miss Amanda Love will compete. She is the daughter of Angela Love of Grayling and Harry Love of Roscommon.



Brandi McClain
Grayling's Junior Miss
1999



Amanda Love
AuSable River Valley
Junior Miss 1999

Both McClain and Love are seniors at Grayling High School.

The contestants' week-long stay in Alpena will be a very busy one. Besides the very vigorous rehearsal schedule, they'll take part in learning opportunities in several semi-

nars being planned by the Junior Miss committee, along with a visit to Alpena Community College for a half day. There, the young ladies will get to experience the college campus lifestyle.

The contestants will also visit an

Alpena elementary school to take part in a Junior Miss program, "Be Your Best Self," tour Alpena's Olde Town, tour some of Alpena's historic homes, get a mini course in self-defense, first aid and CPR, seminar where they will meet a mentor and job shadow with them for the afternoon, and take part in a shopping trip to the area's unique shops.

They are also invited to special luncheons with the Alpena Kiwanis Club and several local restaurants. It is a week designed for the contestants that is meant to be remembered for a lifetime. While in Alpena, the young ladies will be lodged with host families in order to keep them in a home environment for the week-long stay.

Tickets for the March 25 finals, which begin at 7 p.m., are \$17 for main floor seating, and \$12 for upper balcony seating. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Dance Center studios in Alpena via mail: Michigan Junior Miss Tickets, PBM #198, Box 1200, Alpena, MI 49707-7001.

Correction

Jenna Bugyi's name was not included in a list of crew members for the Grayling High School production of "The Uninvited" in last week's edition of the Avalanche. We apologize for the omission.

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

No more tireless tap dance routines, skits, or songs. The Milltown Follies organization, which brought entertainment by local senior citizens to the stage of the Joseph Stripe Auditorium, has dissolved as of March 2.

"Everybody wants to be in it," said Follies chairperson Ann Doty, "but nobody wants to do the foot work."

Doty said in order for the program to be a success, many volunteers have to be willing to do the behind-the-scenes work. Arrangements must be made in advance to reserve the auditorium, tickets need to be printed and sold, public relations must be in full swing, and someone has to be willing to work on stage changes and lighting.

Last year's show was a real hit in the community as evidenced by the laughter and applause in the audience. And the show's beneficiary, Habitat for Humanity, was pleased with the donation. But, Doty said even last year's show had its problems because of lack of help.

The main sticking point for the

organizers is their restrictive constitution. It calls for meetings that have to be called by notices in the newspaper and very few people were attending. It also stipulates only senior citizens may work the Follies' many necessary tasks. Questions arose last year about "young people" performing some of those tasks.

Doty said the only way the Follies could ever be a possibility again would be if someone younger would be allowed to take hold of the reins, along with other young people running errands and doing some of the other work the seniors may not be willing or able to do.

Scheduling conflicts also present a problem to organizers. The seniors who perform in the Follies are active people and each of them have family functions and other obligations that made planning a show for this year an impossibility.

"With reluctance, we had to dissolve the organization known as the Milltown Follies," Doty said. "The dancers will find places to perform,

but I feel sorry for the other performers, especially the choir people who may not find another venue besides the Follies." Doty's dancers entertain at area nursing homes and extended care facilities, as well as for civic groups. She said she hopes other performers will be invited to entertain as well.

The final act of the Follies played out last week when the group divided up their remaining \$1,000 in funds to five local charities, including the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center, the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, the local chapter of Habitat for Humanity, the Crawford County Library, and the Wellington Farm Folk.

Doty said she has received word that a local talent show may be in the works and hopes that many who have entertained in the Follies program, may opt to enter such a show if it comes to fruition. "We still love to perform and if there is a talent show or something of that kind, we will participate."

Why we need a new library

by Rodney Ney III
Second Place Winner
Crawford County Friends of the
Library Essay Contest

What would you do if you had a report to do, and you did not have any access to the Internet at home, and the few books you needed were checked out of your school library? Well, you would probably try your county library for resources. That would work great if we had a library that had the technology you needed. Our present library, although helpful, has but two computers, which is not enough. We don't have very many books or magazines that are up to date either. So that is why we need a new library in Grayling.

There are several other reasons that we need a new library, which include the location, increase in space, and technology.

The present library is in a poor location. One thing wrong would be the library is on a very busy highway. There are no crosswalks or stoplights near the building. If children are going to study at the library or just simply walk over to get a book, it is not safe for them to cross the highway at the present location.

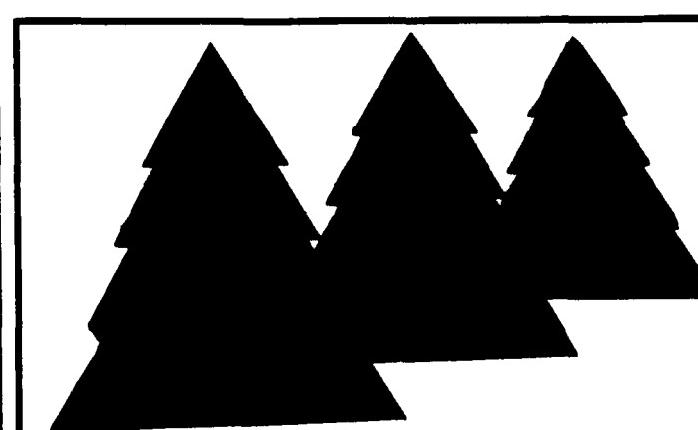
Another inconvenience and safety concern is the very small one way parking lot. This limits use of the library.

The size of our library is too small. If we increase the size of our library we will have the space for a study area, computer lab, listening

center, and a quiet room with the big comfortable seats just for reading. If we increase the space that will help our community by giving people a welcoming, informative, and a safe place for study and reading. Government studies show an increase in testing scores when children and adults have newer buildings to use.

The present library's technology is extremely limited. Our present library has but two computers. They don't have any videotapes or cassette tapes that are recent for children to view or to listen to and follow along in the book. Our library needs ten to fifteen computers, music center, and a listening center, which could be in an area that provided tape players (CD and cassette) and headphones for people to use. Technology is extremely important in the twenty-first century. More and more people will gain their information by CD-ROM and the Internet. That's why our library needs new technology.

In conclusion, eight out of ten kids that I polled want this new library in our community. The other twenty percent had no opinion; no one said that they did not want the new library. Therefore, we know we need a new library, and it will be extremely educational and beneficial for all.



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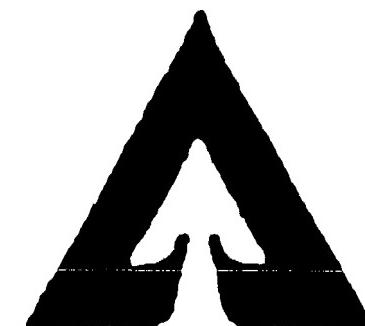
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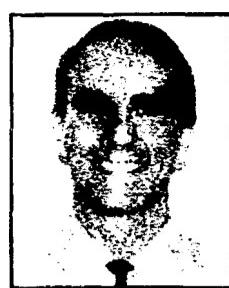
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ALMANACK

by Dirk Milliman

Tidbits from other news pages

Vice President Al Gore is the big Michigan winner, taking nine out of every 10 delegates up for grabs in Saturday's Democratic presidential caucus.

Bill Bradley, who had been pushing and then wound up chasing Gore in the primaries so far, dropped out of the race on Thursday and endorsed his former opponent.

Bradley, although no longer a candidate, still garnered 3,117 votes.

In all, only 18,970 Democrats around the state bothered to vote. And of those hard core supporters interested enough to turn out and cast their ballot in the closed primary, more than 16 percent still voted for Bradley -- a man who was no longer a candidate.

Why? Did the news of his withdrawal not reach them in time? Did they believe their meager show of support will make him change his mind and jump back into the fray?

Or was their vote a message that the Vice President is not the chosen one?

Maybe those 3,117 Michigan Democrats are trying to tell Gore something.

The questions are: What are they trying to say? And will we ever really hear what that something is?

Watch for more at the convention.

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There is a proposed addition to the 3R's.

In addition to Reading, 'riting and 'Rithmetic, meet the new Mr. R. Respect.

Introduced in Lansing this week is legislation to encourage schools to teach character education. That's manners.

It seems that the schools are to blame for not teaching students how to be kind to others, how to get along.

Currently there are 10 states which dictate that schools must teach character and six other states that encourage schools to teach character education.

Introduced by a Republican, the plan will have a chance to go somewhere if tax dollars are used to pay for it. And lo and behold, there are federal grants to help pay

for schools to teach character.

In addition to teachers being educators, we have turned them into baby sitters. And not only should they watch our kids while we go about our too busy lives to care for our own, now we want them to teach our kids to be nice, too.

Aren't these some of the things that are supposed to be learned in the home?

Have we given up all the responsibilities of parenting?

Sometimes it seems that way.

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Maybe this will help.

Look for the newest men's magazine to hit the streets this summer.

No, not another sports mag.

This one is for "dads."

"dads" will cater to the generation of fathers who are spending twice as much time with their kids as those of 20 years ago. These dads are intensely interested in raising their kids, unlike their forebears, the magazine's founders are claiming.

This new magazine is needed because so

many mothers are going back to work that dads have to play a role in child rearing, the founders say.

But they also claim that if the new publication is too "touchy-feely," it will fail.

Right. We want dads, but not dads that are too touchy or feely.

The first issue will hit the newsstand in June.

No date yet for the swimsuit issue.

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Talk about your hard core shopper. A note in the paper last week said a Pennsylvania woman who was walking into the grocery store didn't realize she had been stabbed until she finished her shopping and returned home.

Her daughter noticed the knife sticking out of her mother's back and rushed her to the hospital, where the mother is recovering. And no one in the grocery store said anything to her, either.

Surveillance cameras show the knife in her back, but no other shopper cared to mention it to the 62-year-old as she pushed

her cart up and down the aisles of her local store.

No motive for the attack was known, and the woman's grocery list was not released.

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Congratulations to the MSU Spartans.

After another hard-working season, the green and white are three time Big 10 champions, Big 10 tournament champions again, rated #2 in the country and are number one seed in the NCAA tourney.

Kudo's must go to their coach, Tom Izzo, who blends together a group with big talents and egos and gets all the individuals to play as one team.

Best of luck to the Spartans as they continue to chase the national basketball crown.

Richard Milliman is on vacation. His column is being written in his absence by Dirk Milliman, president of Milliman Communications, which publishes newspapers in Albion, Grayling, Marshall and Three Rivers.

VIEWPOINT

The Content of Our Children's Character

by Ward Connerly, Chairman
American Civil Rights Institute

Mr. Connerly delivered these remarks as part of the keynote address of Hillsdale College's Shavano Institute for National Leadership seminar. "Heroes for a New Generation and a New Century." on October 11, 1999.

In the course of a normal year, I probably give about 140 speeches, but there is none that fulfills me more than the chance to be at Shavano and with the Hillsdale College family. When I was invited to appear, I was offered the title, "The Content of Our Children's Character," but I was also given the opportunity to change that title if I preferred something else. I told my staff, "Don't you dare change it, because there could not be a more timely or more appropriate theme than this one." So, again, I am delighted to be with you to discuss this topic.

The issue of character has never mattered more in American society than it does now. And the content of our children's character is crucial to the survival of our nation.

Within the past several years, there has been a rash of violence in our nation. Consider the following:

✓ A young man by the name of Matthew Shepard was brutally beaten to death because he was gay.

✓ A black man in Texas was dragged to his death from the back of a pickup truck, solely because he was black.

✓ Another kills his family, goes

into a stock brokerage house and lays waste to several human beings.

✓ High school children are using high-powered rifles to kill their classmates.

✓ In my own community of Sacramento, synagogues have been burned because of hatred of Jews.

In each instance, we engage in national handwringing about violence and witness outbursts of outrage by politicians who proclaim the need for tougher gun control measures and hate-crime legislation. Rarely, if ever, does anyone make the connection between these acts of violence and the "culture of relativism" that has been spawned in our nation.

Ours is a culture in which anything goes and nothing is absolute. Politicians constantly seek to convince us that left is right, east is west, and up is really down. If it gets votes, whatever you want to hear - "No problem!" Everything depends on "what the meaning of 'is' is," to quote our President. When there is "no controlling legal authority," conduct considered immoral in another time and place is acceptable.

In short, there has been a profound weakening of our national character. Yet we see no connection between this fact and the culture that has evolved from that erosion of national character.

We see no relationship between the lack of respect for human life, as evidenced by the unbridled number of abortions performed every day in America, and the rampant lawless-

ness that has evolved in American society.

Let's define our terms. Character is about one's adherence to moral principles, and moral principles are standards of conduct that distinguish right from wrong. Moral principles are not relative to the political exigencies of the moment. In order for our children to have strong character, they must be taught certain moral principles. And we are cheating them when we fail to teach those principles.

The character of our children can be only as strong as the character of our nation, and currently there are serious problems with regard to the national character of America.

When the President of the United States appears before a group of Hispanic leaders and states, in the most crass political terms possible, "America will soon look like you," thereby trying to appeal to Americans on the basis of their ethnic identity, then we have a national character problem.

And when the President of the United States can admit that he lied to the American people, but the American people end up being angry with the Congress for making an issue of the President's lying - largely because the state of the economy is good - then we, indeed, have a national character problem.

I learned long ago that character is something that you learn throughout life. The content of our children's character is nothing more and nothing less than the composition of

their values.

I learned my values from my grandmother, a maternal aunt, and her husband, all of whom raised me after my mother died when I was four years old. I learned about courage and the importance of defending your beliefs. My uncle never got past the fifth grade, but he understood to his core the value of courage. He often said, "Boy, if you don't defend what you believe in, if you don't stand up for yourself, you're going to get your read end kicked twice, once at school and the second time when you get home." So I learned the hard way that the defense of our values defines who we are.

It is true that there is a cultural war going on in America, and the casualties are our children. It is not too late to correct that problem. We should begin by telling our children that character is about values and having the courage to defend those values.

Tell them that character is about being true to their beliefs even when others all around them strongly disagree with them. Tell our children that it is important for them to be good citizens and that they should demand that their elected representatives be honest and forthright, even if that honesty and candor might cost them an election or diminish their popularity.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be pub-

lished without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to The Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each

line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

EDITOR

Stand up and be counted

To the editor,

In March the 2000 census packets will be sent out, and the census takers will begin their door-to-door visits throughout Crawford County. It is very important that every person be counted. In 1990, although the population went up dramatically, many people were missed.

We urge all residents to fill out the forms and respond to all census visits. Here's why: Each city and township in Michigan receives a portion of state tax dollars through the revenue sharing program, based, in part, on population. In fact, your local government will receive up to \$170 per resident. Over the course of the 10-year census that figure grows to \$1,700; a sizeable sum of money which could be spent on needed services like road repair, pollution control, libraries, police protection, and recreation.

In Washington, the number of government representatives is determined by the number of persons in each district. The districts evolve as the population increases. When a large number of people aren't counted, your representation is directly reduced, putting government further, rather than closer, to the people it serves.

Don't be afraid of government. It was founded and still works on the principle that the people hold the power, and that power can never be taken away unless the people don't

participate. Replying to the census doesn't increase your chances of being selected for jury duty, nor will it increase your taxes or change your draft status. Your name will not be given to the IRS and it won't be sold to junk-mail and junk-calling companies. There are no negative aspects to being included in the 2000 census.

When the census workers come calling, or when you receive your mailed census packet, please remember to cooperate. Return your packet with information on everyone in your home. Tell the census taker about any neighbors who might be away. Contact friends and relatives who have gone south to remind them to participate.

This year stand up and be counted.

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'Insensitivity' in fishing rules change?

To the editor,

'Let them eat cake', Marie Antoinette, Queen of France (1774-1792) is credited with having said when told that the peasants were angry because they had no bread.

'Let them learn to fish with a fly' said John Mount-Campbell when told that the peasants were angry because their grandchildren would no longer be able to fish using bait.

Insensitivity and arrogance describes the attitude of both 18th century royalty and their 21st century equivalent. Just as it would have never occurred to Marie Antoinette that people might be hungry it would never occur to Mr. Mount-

Campbell that there are people who just don't want to fish with a fly. It would also never occur to Mr. Mount-Campbell that someone might resent being told that they can't fish in the river just so he can indulge in his sport without being bothered by the peasants fishing with worms.

We know how the French peasants solved the problem with their Royalty. Since that's not an option, let's join John Schneider (517) 348-4366 in his effort to resolve the issue.

Bern Lasich
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BRIEFS

Skate Park to host Jam Night II

The Hanson Hills Skate Park, located inside the Fred Bear Memorial Center at Hanson Hills, will host "Jam Night II" on Saturday, March 18. The event will feature live performances by three bands: *The Murphs* of Houghton Lake, and *Blue Collar* and *MP5*, both of Grayling. Come out and enjoy a night of skating and live music. The event will take place from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Ramps will be open for skating. Cost is \$3 per person.

Low cost neutering clinic offered

To celebrate the national SPAYDAY USA campaign, Dr. Walter Bungard and the staff of the Atlanta Veterinary Clinic will offer low cost neutering of cats on March 29. Sponsored by Lewiston's Best Friends, the clinic will sterilize male cats for \$15 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Bungard's Atlanta office. Anyone with a male cat interested in the clinic should call Jill at 348-2201, or Sally at Bud Jones Insurance Agency at (517) 786-2296, or write to: Lewiston's Best Friends, P.O. Box 969, Lewiston, MI 49756.

Tabernacle to host 'Women Ablaze'

Women Ablaze will be holding its meeting Friday, March 17 at 7 p.m. at the Burning Bush Tabernacle, 501 E. Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Lyn Kerr will speak, with ministry and refreshments to follow. Area ladies are invited and encouraged to attend.

Hartwick Pines hosts Maple Syrup Day

Maple Syrup Day will be held Saturday, March 18 at Hartwick Pines State Park. All kinds of activities related to the maple sap harvest, syrup processing and product preparation will be demonstrated. Activities for kids will be provided in the Visitors Center and genuine maple syrup products will be available for purchase. There is no fee for the event, however a motor vehicle permit is required for park entry. Daily passes are \$4, seasonal passes are \$20 and camping is \$14 per night. For more information, call Hartwick Pines State Park at (517) 348-2537.

Marriage Encounter plans spring weekend

Married couples looking for an opportunity to spend some time just to enrich their marriages can reserve a spot for the next Marriage Encounter Weekend scheduled for April 7-9. For more information, call Chris and Steve Seager at (517) 348-8096.

Garden Club to discuss pruning

Has something gone amiss with your landscaping plan? Do you need help shaping and pruning your trees and shrubs? Join the Kirtland Garden Club at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 20, at the Congregational Church in Roscommon, to hear Jim Lappan of Lappan's Garden Center and Nursery in Gaylord. Lappan will share information on general landscaping with an emphasis on design and care of trees and shrubs. Reserve a spot at the discussion by calling Debbie at (517) 821-6244 or Eleanor at (517) 366-4709.

Ostomy support group to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, March 19 at 2 p.m. in Classroom C & D of Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call (517) 821-5721 for further information.

Free tax assistance offered by MACPA

The Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants (MACPA) will offer their final "Ask-A-CPA Call-In Day" on Saturday, March 25. Taxpayers who are puzzled by tax laws can get the answers to state and federal tax questions free of charge by dialing toll-free 1-877-420-4CPA between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. that day.

Diabetes expert to speak at free forum

Dr. Laurie Kane will be presenting "Diabetes in the New Millennium" on March 20, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Grayling Mercy Hospital's Mercy Center. The forum will focus on the latest advancements in the treatment of diabetes and the importance of quality care. A question and answer session will follow, along with refreshments. To register, call (517) 348-0708. Space is limited.

Child Protection Council to meet

The Crawford-Roscommon Child Protection Council will meet March 16 at 12 noon at Fred's Dining in Roscommon. The council meets monthly on the third Thursday of the month. Beginning in April the council will meet at the Fifth Street Grill, also in Roscommon. Meetings are open to all area citizens and community members with the common goal of helping educate parents and prevent child abuse and neglect. For more information, call Director Michelle MacArthur at (517) 366-6916.

Farm Park schedules tree pruning seminar

Once again, Wellington Farm Park, on Military Road near Grayling and Higgins Lake, has scheduled a free fruit tree pruning seminar.

This year's program will be held on Saturday, April 15 and will be conducted by Jim Nugent of the Michigan State Horticultural Research Center.

Lectures and pruning demonstrations will begin at 9 a.m. at the park on South Military Road.

As in past seminars, the highlight of the presentation will be a demonstration of pruning for rejuvenation of an old, abandoned apple tree.

There will also be demonstrations

of maintenance pruning of old trees which were radically pruned during previous seminars.

Due to the fact this year's seminar will complete the rejuvenation pruning of the old orchard at Wellington, this will probably be the last year for the pruning demonstrations at the living history museum.

It is hoped that seminars on other topics of interest can be conducted.

For more information about this year's tree pruning program or to offer suggestions for future demonstrations call toll free to 1-888-OLD FARM or visit the park's website at www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Assess your body composition

In celebration of Nutrition Month, the Registered Dietitians at Mercy Hospital Grayling are offering a program to the community titled "Assess Your Body Composition."

The assessment checks body fat stores, muscle mass, and basal metabolic rate. It is a five-minute process using a bio-electrical impedance analysis machine. Results are immediately generated with an explanation sheet for you to take home. Information on nutrition and exercise will also be available.

The assessments are being offered on the following dates:

March 23, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Mercy Community Health

Scholarships available

Many local individuals, organizations and businesses have generously contributed college scholarships for Grayling High School seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2000.

Applications are available in the Grayling High School counseling office:

The due date for many of these scholarships is March 30. Winners will be announced at Senior Honors Night scheduled for May 18 in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

Anyone with questions or organizations wishing to sponsor a scholarship should contact Teresa Bonamie at the high school counseling office at 348-7641, ext. 118.

Another Antique Appraisal planned

Due to the overwhelming response to their first Antique Appraisal, the Jesse Besser Museum will host another event of the same kind on March 24 and 25.

Appointments are necessary from 10 a.m. to 12 noon each day. From 12 noon to 4 p.m., appraisals will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Again, Detroit area antique appraiser Ernest DuMouchelle will size up paintings, jewelry, guns, china, crystal, silver, tools... to name a few. For large pieces, such as furniture, a good color photo of the entire piece and a drawer or other

removable piece indicative of finish and hardware will suffice.

Cost is only \$5 per item with a limit of five items per person. All proceeds go to the Jesse Besser Museum and the Northeastern Michigan Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

For reservations, call Laurie at (517) 356-4087.

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According to figures from the Michigan Poison Control System, more than 35,000 people in Michigan were unintentionally exposed to poisons in the first half of 1998. Of those exposures, six out of every 10 cases involved a child younger than 6 years of age.

In an effort to raise awareness of the dangers of accidental poisoning and to encourage people to take preventative measures, March 19-25 has been designated as National Poison Prevention Week. This year's slogan is "Children Act Fast, So Do Poisons."

Because many poisonings involve common medications such as analgesics, cough and cold preparations and vitamins, pharmacist about ways to store and take your medications to prevent a poisoning incident from occurring.

For example, don't take medicine in front of children. Since children often imitate the actions of adults, a child might decide to be just like you and swallow your medication. And when giving medicine to a child, never refer to it as candy. To children, candy is tasty and good to eat and they could mistake a pain-relieving tablet for a candy-coated chocolate.

If a medicine has changed color or smells funny, don't take it - the chemicals may have broken down into a new substance that can hurt instead of help you.

During National Poison Prevention Week, be sure to take the time to ask your pharmacist about ways to poison proof your home for the safety of all in your household.

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The Bible Speaks

Is Earth in Danger?

You remember last year when the coming of Y2K was projected by many to end civilization as we know it. We encouraged people during the year 1999 to prepare for Y2K the way you would prepare for bad winter storms in Northern Michigan.

We are still hearing more new doomsday predictions. Global warming has been used for some time to gain more government control over our lives. Recently I read where scientists have projected that at any time now there will be a giant eruption at Yellowstone which will fill the sky with smoke and ash which will bring several degrees of global cooling. Some scientists worry about a new ice age.

On February 8, 2000, I read an article by Paul Sutherland which stated, "An asteroid has been discovered on a collision course with the Earth - and could crash into us in 2022. Astronomers have been monitoring the path of the giant space rock since it was spotted on January 28. The asteroid, which has been named 2000 BF19, is thought to be about 1km in diameter. Experts say if it hits Earth it would cause an explosion that could wipe out a city. Or it might cause a tidal wave that would devastate low-lying parts of the world. The asteroid is now officially listed as a 'Potentially Hazardous Object'."

Sutherland reported, "The real asteroid was revealed by astronomer Professor Andrea Milani, of Pisa University, Italy. He said: "Available observations are not enough to allow us to exclude a future impact. I rate this as scientifically urgent. Astronomers at the California Institute of Technology recently found there are 700 large asteroids close enough to cause devastation. Each is over half a mile wide. A hit from a rock this size travelling at 15 miles per second would be the equivalent of 50,000 H-bombs."

What should be the Christian response to such threats of danger to our earth? The sovereign God who created the entire solar system is a God of order and still in control. You remember when we were publicly challenged to push for global disarmament during the cold war with Communism. We were told publicly by a local school teacher, (he no longer lives or works here) to read a book which promoted global compromise with the Communists to save our planet from inevitable nuclear destruction.

It is God who brought the universal flood upon the earth to destroy all life outside of Noah's ark. (Gen 6-8) It is God who will bring future judgment upon the earth during the seven years of Great Tribulation yet to come. (Rev 6-18) But Bible-believing Christians have

no more to fear from the judgment of the coming Great Tribulation than Noah and his family did from the flood.

God's promises to us are clear: (Gen. 8:22) "While the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease." (Psa. 74:17) "Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter." (James 5:7) "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain." God still controls His creation!

"Pastor B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263> and at <http://www.i2k.com/~cba/index.html>.

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn Bible prophecy for Y2K and beyond. Join us in a verse study of the book of Revelations each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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MERCY BIRTHS

Steve and Lori Tedford of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Hannah Nichole Tedford born January 24, 2000.

Bradley and Charlene Scheer of Grayling announce the arrival of Paige Alexis Scheer born February 2, 2000.

Church plans Irish dinner

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will hold an Irish Ethnic Dinner Thursday, March 23 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the church located on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children five to 12 years old. Children under five years old eat free.

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John Matthews and Lisa Wheeler of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Trent Michael Matthews born February 4, 2000.

Jamie Jameson and Stacey Woodbury of Frederic announce the arrival of Sydney Ray Jameson born February 5, 2000.

Fred and Tamara Fisher of Grayling announce the arrival of Anna Rebecca Fisher born February 7, 2000.

Dalynn Grant of Kalkaska announces the arrival of Kailea Ann Grant born February 7, 2000.

Steven Heckman and Kelly Griffin of Grayling announce the arrival of Ryan Taylor Heckman born February 9, 2000.

James Douglass and Pamela Trotter announce the arrival of Katie Ann Douglass born February 10, 2000.

Gary and Kristina Rutterbush of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Kyle Sherwood Rutterbush born February 14, 2000.

Douglas and Doniel Pummell of Roscommon announce the arrival of Ryan Douglas Pummell born February 14, 2000.

Gary and Debi Beckwith of Grayling announce the arrival of Brian G. Beckwith born February 17, 2000.

Maninia Ann Yancer of Roscommon announces the arrival of Mikaela Marie Yancer born February 20, 2000.

Chad DeVille and Amanda Arnold of South Boardman announce the arrival of Caitlin Marie DeVille born February 20, 2000.

John and Lori Wybraniec of Roscommon announce the arrival of Jack Sheldon Wybraniec born February 20, 2000.

Thomas Bolick and Colette Porter of Grayling announce the arrival of Katelynn Marie Bolick born February 21, 2000.

Dean and Amber Wallison of Houghton Lake announce the arrival of Henry DeForest Wallison born February 22, 2000.

Ted and Hope May of Lewiston announce the arrival of Madison Cecilia May born February 24, 2000.

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Sunday Psalm 38
Monday Psalm 39
Tuesday Psalm 40
Wednesday Psalm 42
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ichael, you had better add an extra layer before you go outside this morning. You need plenty of protection against the cold!

Take the time to get your jacket.

That extra layer can be the difference between feeling cold and comfortable on a wet, wintry morning. God's love warms our hearts in much the same way. Each day, as we learn to know God through prayer and meditation, we develop a spiritual warmth that accompanies the uncomfortable situations in our lives. Every week, as we visit God's house to worship and learn more of His unfailing love and protection, we add a new layer of insulation between us and events that can chill our souls. In Psalm 23 we read... "He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He resteth my soul."

Worship each week. Add a layer of faith. It is worth the time it will take.

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Kirtland receives March of Dimes grant

Kirtland Community College has received a \$4,105 grant from the Greater Michigan Chapter of the March of Dimes.

The grant is to provide informational material to prospective parents and health occupation students about maternal and infant health, as well as up-to-date information to students, instructors and practicing perinatal nurses on a wide range of prenatal, genetic and perinatal data.

The grant also enables Kirtland to conduct five continuing education programs for perinatal nurses and other health care professionals at various clinical agencies.

"We are very pleased to receive this grant from the March of Dimes and have the opportunity to carry

out this educational program," said Karen Brown, BSN, MN, Kirtland Director of Health Occupations. "Maintaining excellence in clinical practice is a challenging and necessary focus for all nurses in the evolving field of perinatal health. This is particularly true for those professionals working in a geographically remote area such as the Kirtland region."

The five professional Continuing Education Programs are scheduled for:

- March 28 at West Branch Regional Medical Center - "High Risk Pregnancy: Chronic Medical Conditions"
- April 6 at Grayling Mercy Hospital - "Preterm Labor:

Prevention and Nursing Management

- April 12 at Tawas St. Joseph Hospital - "Assessment of Risk in the Term Newborn"
- April 17 at Mid-Michigan Health Park - "Preconceptual Health Promotion"

- May 2 at Otsego Memorial Hospital - "Breastfeeding the Healthy Newborn"

Advance pre-registration is mandatory through Health Occupations at Kirtland Community College

Brown said the materials and resources that will be purchased with the grant, including information about planning for a baby, maternal and infant health data,

health statistics, a "Babies and You" video series, the "Early Parent-Infant Relationships" video, and many other informational pieces will be available to students, practicing perinatal professionals, and the residents of the Kirtland region.

The March of Dimes works to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality. The March of Dimes does this through programs of research, community service, education and advocacy.

Mercy's Hamilton now Pediatric Certified

Mercy Hospital Grayling announced Rekha Hamilton, M.D. has successfully completed Board Certification in Pediatrics.

In October, Dr. Hamilton took a two-day examination given by the American Board of Pediatrics in Ann Arbor and was notified last month of her success.

Dr. Hamilton has a pediatric practice at the Mercy Community Health Center in Roscommon, as well as at Mercy Family Care, located in Grayling.

OMH Foundation offers annual scholarship

The application process has begun for the \$1,000 Otsego Memorial Hospital (OMH) Foundation annual scholarship.

"The scholarship was developed to accomplish two goals" Foundation Director, Deborah Allen said. "It enables the Foundation to provide a valuable service to the families and youth of our community who so generously support the Hospital's efforts, while it also perpetuates career interest in the healthcare industry.

"Otsego Memorial Hospital is one of the top employers in Otsego

County offering some of the most competitive wages and benefits available. We encourage students in our service area to consider a career in healthcare and to remember that Gaylord is a great place to practice those skills after a degree is completed."

The scholarship is open to students of all ages who reside in the Hospital's primary service area. To qualify for the Foundation Scholarship, an individual must be accepted as a full-time student in a health care field of study, at an educational facility in the state of

Michigan. Applications must be received at the OMH Foundation Office by April 30, 2000.

Applications are available from area high school guidance counselors and from the OMH Foundation Office.

The scholarship is administered by the Executive Committee of the Otsego Memorial Hospital Foundation, who selects one recipient annually.

For more information call Deborah Allen, OMH Foundation Director, at (517) 731-2342.

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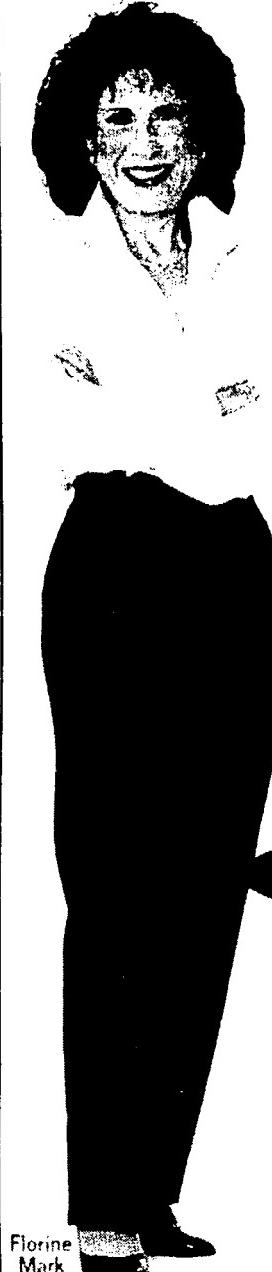
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Arrow of Light awarded to local Webelos



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WEBELOS AWARDED — On February 24, during the annual Blue and Gold Dinner at the Grayling Eagles Club, the second-year Webelos from Pack 3993 received the Arrow of Light, Cub Scouting's highest award and the only badge that can be worn on a Boy Scout uniform. Shown are the boys with their parents. Back row (l to r) Barbara Boerger (hidden), Mike Kane (Webelos Den Leader), Bob Lane, Michele Steffey, Walt Tilson, and Faith Dandois. Front row: Tim Boerger, Jonathan Kane, Wesley Lane, Nicholas Steffey, and Ethan Tilson.

Good-bye bathroom scale -- hello BIA body fat test

With the introduction of Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis (BIA). Munson Healthcare now offers a quick and accurate way for adults to check body fat.

The BIA test takes five minutes and provides immediate results that also include a person's calorie needs and target weight goal. Future follow-up can be arranged for individualized nutrition counseling if desired.

This new test is being rolled out across the Munson Healthcare system this month, which is being celebrated as Nutrition Month. During March, BIA screenings will be available at all Munson affiliate hospitals and health centers, including Mercy Hospital, Grayling, and

Mercy Community Health Center in Roscommon.

The screenings cost \$5 and are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Individuals questioning the need to be physically active and eat in a healthful manner are encouraged to check their body composition with BIA.

Body weight alone is not a reliable way to assess a person's health status. Muscle weighs more than fat, and bone mass can vary between people. A lightweight person may have an unhealthy body-fat percentage because he or she does not exercise. Or, a person who exercises a lot and has more muscle may be termed "overweight" as defined by a bathroom scale.

Skin fold calipers (the pinch test) have been used to measure body fat, but many variables affect the accuracy of the measurement. The most accurate method to assess person's body composition is underwater weighing, which is used primarily in research. However, Bioelectrical Impedance Analysis provides nearly the same information - within 1.5 percent body fat on average - in a much simpler manner.

The BIA uses a painless electrical impulse that passes through the upper and lower body.

A consumer version of the bioelectrical impedance instrument, which looks like a bathroom scale, is available. However, it does not provide the same accuracy because

the current only passes through the lower body. Most adults have varying distributions of fat and muscle in their upper and lower bodies.

Dates, times and locations of the BIA screening are:

- March 23, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Mercy Community Health Center, Roscommon;
- March 23, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

For more information, visit the Health Matters page on Munson's Website, www.mhc.net, or call the nearest health care facility.

Recipients of the test must not be dehydrated and must be at least 18 years old. No one who has a pacemaker, defibrillator, or who is pregnant can be tested.

'RoundUp' program benefits local people

Customers of Great Lakes Energy (GLE) Cooperative recently donated \$2,000 to the AuSable Ministerial Association to provide assistance to residents in need in Crawford County.

The \$2,000 grant awarded by the GLE People Fund Board of Directors represents another investment in charitable organizations within the 24-county Great Lakes Energy service area.

The funds will be used to help individuals and families in crisis situations, including rent, utilities, and medical payments. The AuSable Ministerial Association works with the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center to provide assistance to area families.

The People Fund is part of Operation RoundUp, a voluntary charitable contribution program that is sponsored by GLE customer-owners. Participating customers'

monthly bills are rounded up to the next highest dollar, with the extra few cents going into the People Fund.

The program is administered by a volunteer board of directors separate from the Cooperative's board. Funds are distributed to charitable and non-profit groups throughout GLE's service territory, stretching from the Mackinac Straits to Kalamazoo.

More than \$176,500 in grants were invested in local communities in 1999.

All money collected by the People Fund is returned to the communities where it is collected, since there are no overhead or administrative costs.

Any charitable organizations interested in learning more about the People Fund should contact Great Lakes Energy at 1-888-GLE-LAKES (1-888-485-2537).



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LOVING ASSISTANCE — Karen Henderlong (right) and Mary Beth Detting (standing) offer assistance to Fran Hanson. These ladies are representatives of the AuSable Ministerial Association which recently received a \$2,000 grant from the Great Lakes Energy People Fund.

Therapist to discuss depression management

If you're not sure if the feelings you or a loved one are experiencing are temporary blues or clinical depression, Krista Strait-Higgins, MSW, is offering the chance to find out.

In a program sponsored by Otsego Memorial Hospital, Higgins, a private practice counselor, will help us recognize the signs and symptoms of the "blues," situational depression and clinical depression.

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This program is free to the public.

Higgins will be presenting her topic in the Otsego Memorial Hospital Classroom from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., March 21.

For more information, call the Health Education Department at Otsego Memorial Hospital, at (517) 731-2193.

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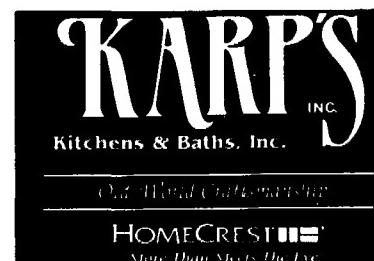
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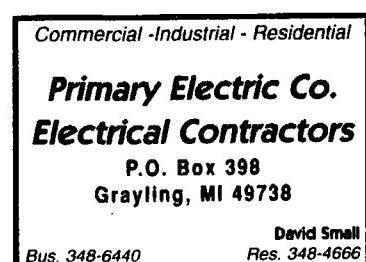
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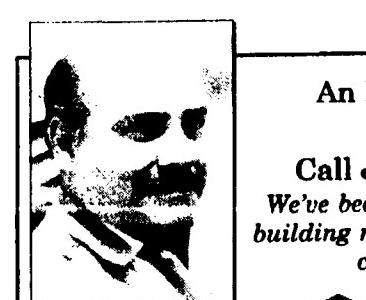
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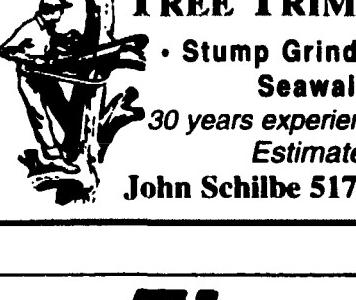



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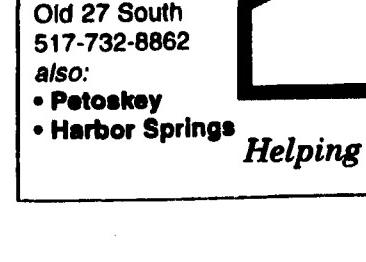
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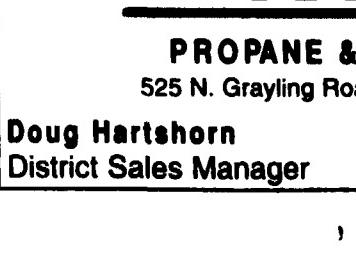
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OBITUARIES

Edwin Walter Harris

Edwin Walter Harris, 71, of Grayling, died Sunday, March 12, 2000 at his home.

Mr. Harris was born in Petoskey, December 31, 1928, the son of Edwin D. and Hazel (Wikle) Harris. He grew up in Petoskey, then served his country during the Korean War in the U.S. Army and Air Force. He was a member of Disabled American Veterans. He moved to Grayling in 1970 from Petoskey. He worked for Jack Millikin construction for 24 years. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Mr. Harris was well known for the songs and music he wrote and sang throughout the years. He will be inducted into the Michigan Country Music Hall of Fame on June 30, 2000.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by seven daughters, Marcia (Charles) Rock of Grayling, Brenda (Duane) LaMotte of Grayling, Sandra (Everett) Woolsey of Grayling, Tina (Corky) Hellebuyck of Grayling, Dorothy Harris of Grayling, Kristine Harris of Grayling and Debra (Donny) Baker of Grayling; seven sons, John (Christine) Harris of Petoskey, Edwin D. (Rose) Harris of Grayling, Marty (Jamie) Harris of Grayling, Bobby (Jenny) Harris of Grayling, Mike Harris of Grayling, Jerry Harris of Grayling, David Harris of Grayling; four stepchildren, Cheryl, Doug, Ken and Laura; 27 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; one sister, Naomi and one brother, Chuck.

A time of sharing memories was held March 14 at the Sorenson Funeral Home. Burial will be in St. Francis Cemetery, Petoskey.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to The Family of Edwin Harris, 1507 East M-72, Grayling, MI 49738.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Joseph E. Brady

Joseph E. Brady, 87, of West Branch, died Thursday March 9, 2000, at Bortz Health Care, West Branch.

He was born in Waters, March 7, 1913, the son of John and Sadie (Bartlett) Brady. He was employed as a railroad foreman. Mr. Brady had lived in Ogemaw County since 1954. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in West Branch.

Mr. Brady was preceded in death by his wife, Geraldine Charboneau Brady; his parents, John and Sadie Brady; two sisters, Ann Eldred and Patricia Brady; and one brother, John Brady.

Mr. Brady is survived by two sons, John Brady of West Branch and Joseph Brady of Oxford; one daughter, Janis Brady of West Branch; three grandchildren, Jennifer, Joey and Katie Brady of Oxford; four brothers, Francis Brady of Ionia, Richard Brady of Grayling, Michael Brady of Grayling, Jerome Brady of Bloomfield Hills; four sisters, Monica (Harry) Weideman of Grayling, Sally Tobin of Livonia, Jean (Floyd) McClain of Redford, and Helen Witham of Southfield.

Funeral services were held March 11 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, West Branch with Fr. Robert Bissot officiating. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, West Branch.

Arrangements were made by Steuernol & McLaren Funeral Homes, Inc. of West Branch.

June Shirley Ryan

June Shirley Ryan, beloved wife and mother, passed away on Wednesday, January 12, 2000 of heart failure.

June and her family were Grayling residents from 1969 - 1990's. She always provided a loving environment for her family. She also had an active social life in Grayling that included Eastern Star, and her favorite, Bunco. She was also a generous volunteer at the Grayling Court House.

June had been living in her new house in Texas, where she thoroughly enjoyed the absence of snow.

She passed very peacefully in her sleep, in her own bed, at home with her husband of almost 40 years.

June is survived by her husband Charles and her two children Shauna and Bobby.

Her humor, creativity and affection will be missed by all who knew her.

Zina Crouch

Zina Crouch, mother of June Ginther of Grayling died recently. The funeral will be held Friday at 1 p.m. at Wolfe Funeral Home in Kalkaska.

The obituary will be published in the next edition of the Avalanche.

William James Hawley

William James Hawley, 41, of Grayling, died Saturday, March 11, 2000.

Mr. Hawley was born in Grayling, January 15, 1959, the son of Chester James and Kathleen Barbara Hawley. He was a lifelong resident of Grayling and worked as a truck driver for Rustic Rails. He married the former Norma Robbins, June 25, 1999 in Grayling. He loved woodworking and building. He also enjoyed auto mechanics.

He was preceded in death by his father, Chester Hawley.

He is survived by his wife, Norma Hawley; his mother Kathleen Hawley; one son, Jeremie Lee Hawley; three sisters, Ginger (Duane) Beck of Grayling, Dawn (Ken) Stoddard of Grayling and Melissa (Randy) Allison of Grayling; three brothers, Terry Lee Johnson (Hawley), Alan Hawley of Grayling, and Chad (Amy) Hawley of Grayling; grandmother, Clois Canfield of Grayling; Uncle Bob and Aunt Judy Cooper of Grayling; granddaughter, Angelia Hawley; and ten nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday, March 16 at the Sorenson Funeral Home with Chaplain Karen Henderlong officiating. Burial will be in Beaver Creek Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

John A. Schreiber

John A. Schreiber, 30, of Grayling, died Wednesday, March 8, 2000.

Mr. Schreiber was born in Grayling, November 11, 1969, the son of Cal and Marilyn C. Schreiber. He was a lifelong resident of Grayling and was employed by Stephan Wood Products.

Mr. Schreiber was an avid baseball fan, NASCAR fan and #24 Jeff Gordon fan. He enjoyed spending time with his two daughters.

He was preceded in death by his father, Cal Schreiber on April 23, 1992.

He is survived by his mother, Marilyn Schreiber; two daughters, Brandie and Ariole; one sister, Lynn (and friend Mike) of Grayling; two brothers, David (Candace) Schreiber of Grayling and Richard (Yvonne) Schreiber of Grayling; 12 nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held March 11 at the Sorenson Funeral Home with Pastor Terry Colby officiating. Pallbearers were Carl Gildner, Leonard Nemeth, Joe Smock, Tim Gildner, Ron Gildner, Brock Denton and Roger Mosher. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery. Lunch was held after the funeral at the American Legion Hall.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Norman J. Bancroft

Norman Junior Bancroft, 56, of Grayling died Sunday February 20, 2000, at Mercy Manor, Grayling.

He was born in Detroit, January 17, 1944, the son of Newman and Doris (Leverton) Bancroft. He was a lifelong resident of Grayling.

Mr. Bancroft was a residential builder. He was an avid sportsman who loved to fish and hunt. He also loved to fly and skydive.

Mr. Bancroft is survived by his partner, Vickie Gildner; his mother, Doris Bancroft of Grayling; one son, Norman J. (Sheila) Bancroft of Grayling; one granddaughter, Ashley Nicole; three sisters, Evelyn (Gene) Kindler of Grayling, Irene (Bill) Gildner of Grayling and Anita (Russ) Hilliker of Higgins Lake; two brothers, Erwin (Barbara) Bancroft of Spring Lake, and Larry (Janet) Bancroft of Kentucky.

Graveside services will be held in the spring at Elmwood Cemetery. Reverend Robert Barnett will officiate.

Military Honors will be accorded him at the graveside services in the spring.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, Inc., McEvers Chapel.

Dorothy Grace Howitt

Dorothy Grace Howitt, 89, of Grayling, died Thursday, February 17, 2000 at Botsford Hospital.

Mrs. Howitt was born in Memphis, November 13, 1910, the daughter of Barton and Elva (Loomis) Cantine.

She was a member of the Eastern Star, Tri-Star #64 since 1929.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph; one son, Bruce; three brothers, Collis, Donald and Keith; and three sisters, Mildred, Ruth and Annette.

She is survived by one son, Steve (Estelle) Howitt of Livonia and one granddaughter, Heather.

The funeral service was held Sunday, February 20, 2000 at Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial Chapel with Mr. Walter Ellis officiating.

Burial will be in Grayling at a later date.

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Community College. He is employed by Glen's Market.

Brandi also plans to graduate from Grayling High School in June. She is employed as a manager at McDonalds.

An August 12, 2000 wedding is planned.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for your week ahead: You cannot see eye to eye with people when you look down on them!

Upcoming events at the Senior Center:

March 15 - Hearing Clinic by appointment; Afternoon at the Movies at 3 p.m.; COA Board meeting, 5:30 p.m.

March 16 - Lucky 7 Casino trip, 10:30 a.m.

March 17 - Pantry Bingo at 1 p.m.; Legal Help at 1:30 p.m.

March 19 - Pancake Brunch, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

March 20 - Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

March 21 - Alzheimer's warning signs at noon; Trivia at 5:30 p.m.

March 22 - Games at 1:30 p.m.; "R & R" at 5:30 p.m.

March 23 - Blood Pressures taken 11 a.m. - noon; Cardo at 5:30 p.m.

March 24 - Pantry bingo at 1 p.m. Meals are served at the Senior Center at noon and at 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday: a noon meal is served on Friday. Please call for reservations at (517) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500 so that amounts can be planned, however, walk-ins are welcome.

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16 - Turkey Birds/Liver and Onions

17 Roast Chicken/No dinner
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22 - Pepper Steak/BBQ Chicken
23 - Baked Ham/Salisbury Steak
24 - BBQ Chicken/No dinner

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Six civil matter disputes/family trouble, seven suspicious situations,

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following 107 complaints were handled by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department during the week of March 5 - March 12:

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Six civil matter disputes/family trouble, seven suspicious situations,

one suicide, four assault/intimidation/stalking, one telephone harassment, four burglary/home invasion, four larceny,

One property damage, one drug/narcotic violation, one family offense/abuse/neglect, four public peace/disorderly, one OUIL/UBAL, eight health and safety (seven animal control), two invasion of privacy/wiretap/eavesdropping, one conservation, three miscellaneous criminal offense.

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One of the graduates at the December commencement was David M. Kelsey, of Roscommon, who earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Management.

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There will be a Genealogy Program March 20 at 7 p.m. at the Crawford County Library.

Dean Meyering, of Sorenson Funeral Home, will be our speaker to discuss the process of information collected when a loved one dies. Also, the information that may be available at a funeral home, who they report information to and other hints to help track down those missing members of the family.

The cemetery project will also be discussed. Volunteers have been working on the Stephan, Oakwood, Elmwood, Lovells Township, Ball, Pioneer, Beaver Creek, Pere Cheney, Maple Forest, Pioneer, Rock, Ball and two unknown cemeteries. Maps of the cemeteries have been found, headstones read and accounted for and additional information put into a printed form.

Decisions need to be made about format and printing of the information gathered and how best to make it available to the public.

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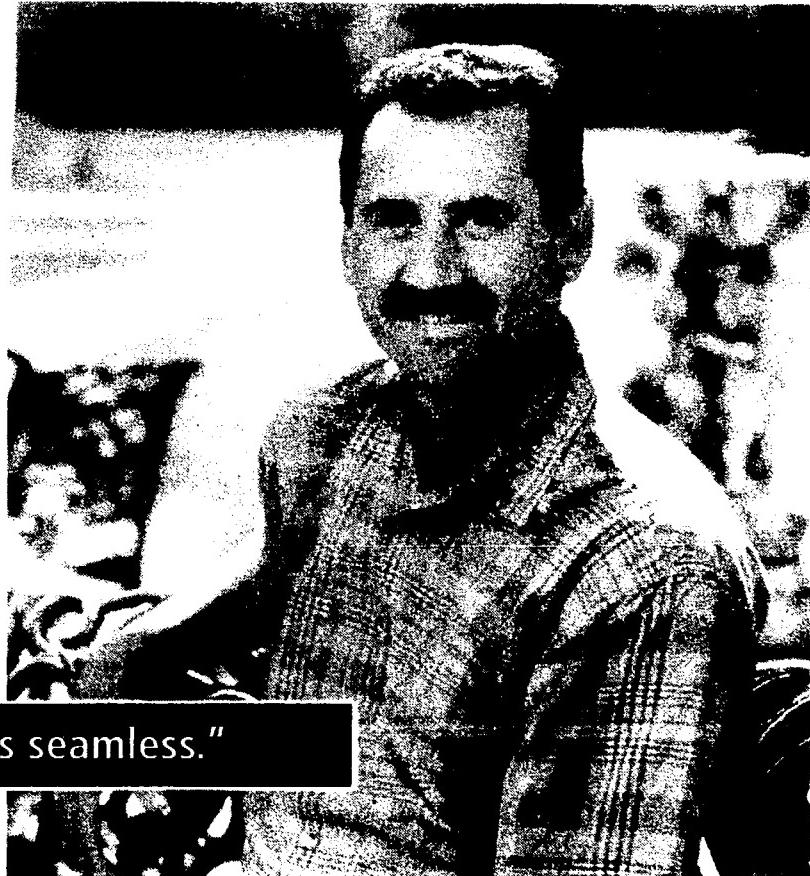


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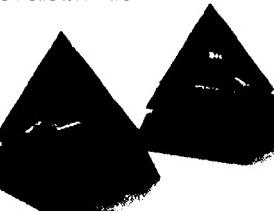
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David Johns says it was a team effort that helped him recover from the heart attacks he suffered in the fall of 1998. That team included Cardiologists Michael Schulte, MD, who diagnosed David at Mercy Hospital Grayling; Cardiologist David MacIntosh, DO, who performed a diagnostic catheterization at Munson Medical Center; and his family physician Thad Jackson, DO, who began the process and oversaw his recovery. Three doctors, two hospitals and countless medical staff later, David describes his care as not only seamless, but awesome.

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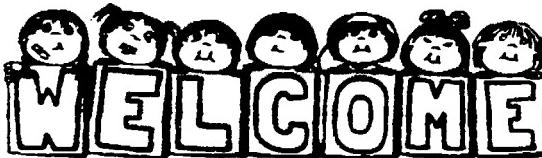
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Local dancer competes in New York City

Company Dance Traverse (CDT) recently returned from the New York City Dance Alliance Workshop and competition in Chicago, earning high honors. In the competition were dancers from Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky.

Felicia Phillips, 14, of Grayling, was named as one of the "Teen Outstanding Dancers." She was selected during an audition process for the honor.

Included with the award is a scholarship to the National Finals in New York City, where she will be performing with all of the other Outstanding Dancer Finalists from across the country. Phillips will also be auditioning for the National Teen Dancer award.

"Felicia is the first dancer from this area to be recognized with this high achievement. She is a great kid and her dedication to dance is commendable. I was thrilled for her," said Betsy Carr, Director of Dance Arts Academy of Traverse City, where Felicia takes lessons.

Judges for the competition were the workshop teachers Leslie Brown (New York City Ballet, American Ballet Theater), Gil Stroming (Tap Dogs), Terry Beeman (numerous stage and screen credits), Mia Michaels (Director of the award-winning New York based jazz company (R.A.W.) and Joe Lanteri, the convention's director.

CDT was recently honored by being selected for the Michigan Youth Arts Festival. This is the third year in a row CDT has been selected for inclusion in this festival that presents the top ten high school dance companies in the state.

CDT dancers will represent northern Michigan in this festival held at Western Michigan University, May 11-13.



Felicia Phillips of Grayling

Children with asthma to benefit from Mercy Grant

Parents of asthmatic children can now "breathe easier" thanks to a grant received by Mercy Hospital, Grayling from the Emily George Fund of the Mercy Health Foundation. "Breathing Again: Creating a system for the identification, tracking, education and treatment of children with asthma in a rural Northern Michigan community" has been funded an amount of \$50,000 for one year.

The goal of "Breathing Again" is to decrease the frequency and severity of asthma attacks amongst children. Additionally, education of the child, family, medical care givers, schools and the community about the serious chronic disease is also a focus.

"We will be gathering data so that this program can be used as a model for other communities," stated

Douglas H. Slater, M.D., the developer of Breathing Again. "Providing medical assistance to children with asthma is an important way for Mercy to improve the health of our communities."

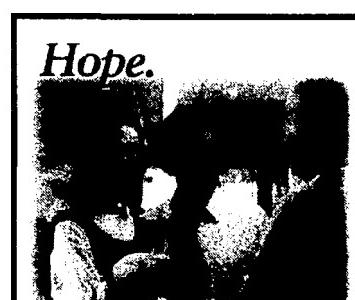
Childhood asthma is the leading cause of preventable pediatric hospital admissions statewide and is a leading chronic disease in our area. The Breathing Again program will partner with local agencies who will assist in the identification of the children to be treated, will participate in an educational program directed at the children, their families and the community and, in some cases, will share in the management of asthma in children.

The program will be directed at Mercy Hospital Grayling by Dr. Slater who is Board Certified in Pediatrics and Internal Medicine.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Alma College senior Sarah Amman, a 1996 graduate of Grayling High School, is currently a volunteer working in Nuevo Paraiso in Honduras. A Spanish spring term class in Honduras last May ignited Amman's interest in the country.

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teaching English at the local school. Amman is teaching as a volunteer to first graders, the teachers at the school, many of the mothers of the children and an evening class for adults in Nuevo Paraiso. As a senior, Amman has delayed her graduation and made this commitment at a considerable cost. She is doing it because she knows how important it is to the people in Honduras.

Amman, the daughter of Charles and Susan Amman of Grayling, is an English major at Alma College.



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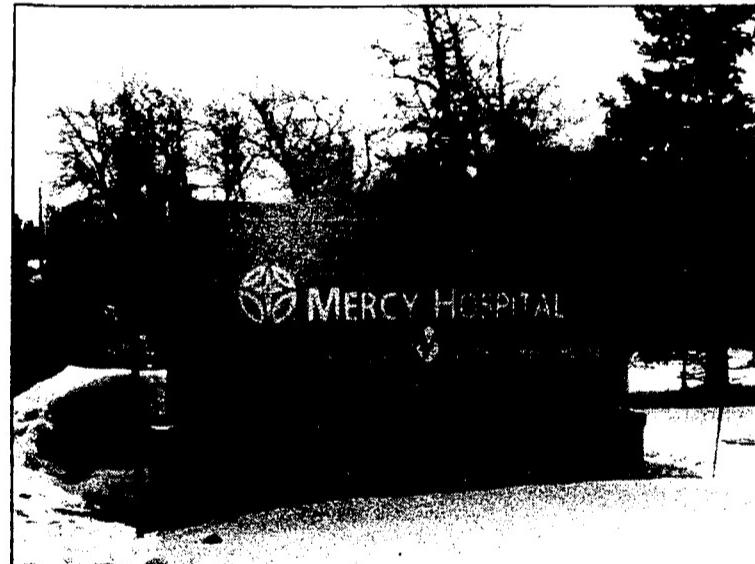


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President's List: Robert Fay.

Malinda Inman, Shawna Jaskiewicz, Lee Pence, Loretta Valdez all of Roscommon and **Benjamie Lowe, Jason Secord, Melanie Soper, John Wybraniec** all of Grayling.

Dean's List: John Dannenberg,

Robert Dent, Grace Galvani, Julie Hall, Christina Kenney, Candice Matuszak, Sarah Medler, Sharon Mitchell, Brenda Nichols, Bethany Pettyjohn, Stacy Schwartz all of Grayling and **Jessica Griffis, Donovan Hines, Jennifer Lauria, Jamie Purtell, and Autumn Spegel** all of Roscommon.

Grayling High School and is the daughter of Jed and Mary Kay Blaauw of Grayling.

Blaauw was among the 283 students named to the 1999 Fall Semester Dean's List. To achieve this honor, a student must maintain a 3.50 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and carry at least 12 credit hours.

Kendall College

Kendall College of Art & Design, Grand Rapids, Michigan has announced that **Michael Bobenmoyer** of Grayling has been named to the President's List for the Fall 1999 term.

To qualify for the honor a student must have achieved a 3.75 or better grade point average while enrolled as a full-time student.

Ottawa University

Perry D'Amour, a 1980 Grayling High School graduate, received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business during commencement at Ottawa University.

The ceremonies were held on January 28, in Phoenix, Arizona. He is currently enrolled at Western International University in the MBA program.

KCC Nurse Instructors in Who's Who

Wendy Hillman and Beth Mogle, nursing faculty members at Kirtland Community College, have been selected for inclusion in the sixth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2000* published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois.

Hillman was recommended by successful former student, Mary Boals, because "Wendy made a difference in my life." Boals graduated from Kirtland in 1999 and now works as a Registered Nurse at West Branch Regional Medical Center in West Branch.

Mogle was recommended by successful former student, Shawn Murphy. Murphy graduated from Kirtland's Practical Nursing program in 1999 and is now taking courses to earn an Associate Degree

in Science. He is also the former recording secretary for Phi Theta Kappa, a student scholastic society. He is employed as a Licensed Practical Nurse at Tender Care nursing home in Gaylord.

Only high school and college students who have been cited for academic excellence themselves in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and *The National Dean's List*, respectively, are invited to nominate one teacher from their entire academic career. Only 2.5% of the nation's college teachers are honored in *Who's Who*.

Hillman has been teaching for Kirtland for 10 years in both the Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) and Registered Nurse (RN) programs. She has also been active on many college-wide committees. She and her husband, Bob, along with their three children, live in Waters.

"We are fortunate to have such high caliber professionals such as Beth and Wendy on our faculty," said Karen Brown, Director of Health Occupations at Kirtland. "They are the reasons our graduate nurses do so well in the profession."

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Thursday, March 16, 2000

Vikings fall to Gaylord in District finale

► Grayling defeats Roscommon and Petoskey in Districts to make the finals

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School varsity basketball team's District tournament run ended last Friday with a loss to the Blue Devils of Gaylord in the District championship game. The match was held in Grayling.

The Vikings had earned a spot in the District Finals by defeating Roscommon on Monday night and Petoskey on Wednesday. Gaylord drew a first round "bye" and then beat Sault Ste. Marie in the semi-finals to advance to the District final game.

In the finals, the Vikings got off to a slow start and Gaylord's offense started strong. Overall, Grayling made a couple good runs in the contest after getting behind early, but the Blue Devils played a better game.

Five seconds into the match, Gaylord knocked down a three-pointer, setting the pace for a big Blue Devil first quarter.

Down 7-2, the Vikings scored six unanswered points on a drive by Nate Hinkle, a tip-in by Dave Hawkins on an Eli Tobin in-bounds pass, and a jumper by Hawkins to take an 8-7 lead at the 3:46 mark.

Gaylord controlled the rest of the period, outscoring Grayling 13-1. The Blue Devils played solid defense and played well under the boards. Grayling trailed Gaylord 20-9 after one quarter.

The Blue Devils maintained their

offensive and defensive momentum, outscoring the Vikings 9-2 to open the second period. Several Grayling turnovers cost the Vikings possessions and opportunities at the offensive end.

Down by 18 (29-11), the Vikings called a timeout with 6:25 left in the quarter. After the short break, Grayling started to cut into the Blue Devil lead.

At the 3:25 mark, the Vikings began an 11-point run. Hinkle hit a jumper, and Brad Gorski was fouled while the shot was in the air. Hinkle's shot counted and Gorski hit two free throws on the one and one chance for a four-point play. Three-pointers by Hinkle and

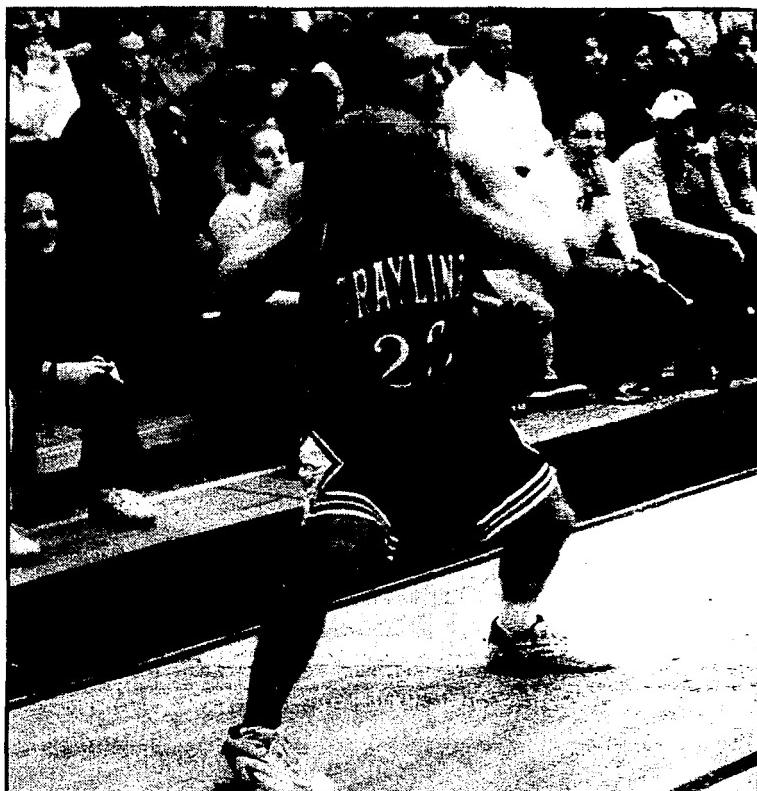
Gorski and a free throw by Hinkle brought Grayling within four, 33-29.

Gaylord then hit a triple. A free throw by Gorski put the Gaylord lead at six (36-30) with 0:52 left in the half. The Blue Devils hit another triple to extend their lead to nine.

Grayling finished the first half scoring with drives by Gorski and Hawkins. Gaylord led by five at halftime, 39-34.

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See "VIKINGS FALL..."



(Left) Senior Brad Wilson looks for an open teammate at the perimeter in the District final match against Gaylord. (Above) Nate Hinkle (right) passes off to a Viking teammate while Joe Fritz (left) battles for position just outside the key. Gaylord won the game 82-73.

Pinny too much for GHS at Regionals

► 1st round loss to Pinconning ends Grayling volleyball team's season

The District championship varsity volleyball from Grayling High School fell to a strong Pinconning Spartan team on Saturday, March 11, in the first round of Regionals. The Regional tourney was held at Gladwin.

The Spartans, who went on to win the Regional trophy, beat Grayling in a best-of-three series 15-6 and 15-1.

Pinconning has a great volleyball team this year. The Vikings were unable to beat the Spartans during the regular season, as Pinny racked up a perfect 16-0 record in the North East Michigan Conference (NEMC). Grayling took 2nd place in the NEMC with a 13-3 league record.

The Vikings advanced to Regionals by beating Roscommon, West Branch Ogemaw Heights, and Harrison in the District tournament held two Saturdays ago in Grayling. Prior to this year, the last District championship for a GHS volleyball team was in 1987.

The Viking volleyball team had a Continued on Page 4B

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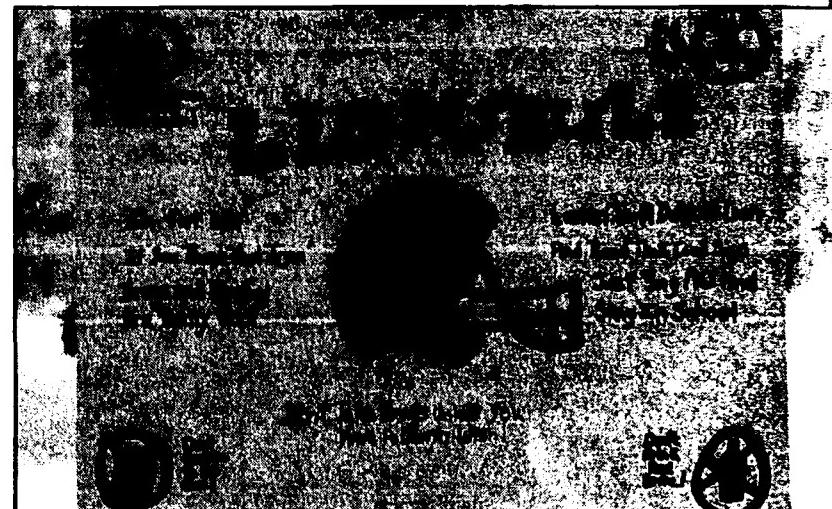
DETROIT LIONS PLAYERS VISIT GRAYLING

► Players stop at GES/Ausable Primary prior to benefit basketball game at GHS

Students and teachers at Grayling Elementary School and AuSable Primary received a special visit from several Detroit Lions football players on Monday, March 13, as the players gathered in the AuSable Primary cafeteria for a half-hour assembly. The players were in town to play a benefit basketball game against GHS coaches at the high school.

The Lions team members took questions from students and faculty members, and delivered a brief anti-drug message. At the conclusion of the assembly, eight student names were drawn for an opportunity to sit next to the Lions at the benefit basketball game. Also, 10 names were drawn for autographed programs. When the 10th student went up to the stage to claim his prize, he was playfully booted by the Lions players for wearing a Brett Favre Green Bay Packers jersey. He promptly stripped off the garment and was greeted with cheers.

After the assembly, the players autographed a poster board for each GES and AuSable Primary classroom.



(Above) The GES 5th grade classes held a poster contest prior to the Lions players' visit. The posters all had an anti-drug message, and decorated the AuSable Primary cafeteria for the assembly. Ten posters by boys and ten by girls were selected as the "best," and those 20 students won the honor of serving as ball boys and ball girls at the basketball game at GHS. (Right) Detroit Lions Allen Aldridge and Tony Semple take questions from the floor.



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Three Viking wrestlers compete at State meet

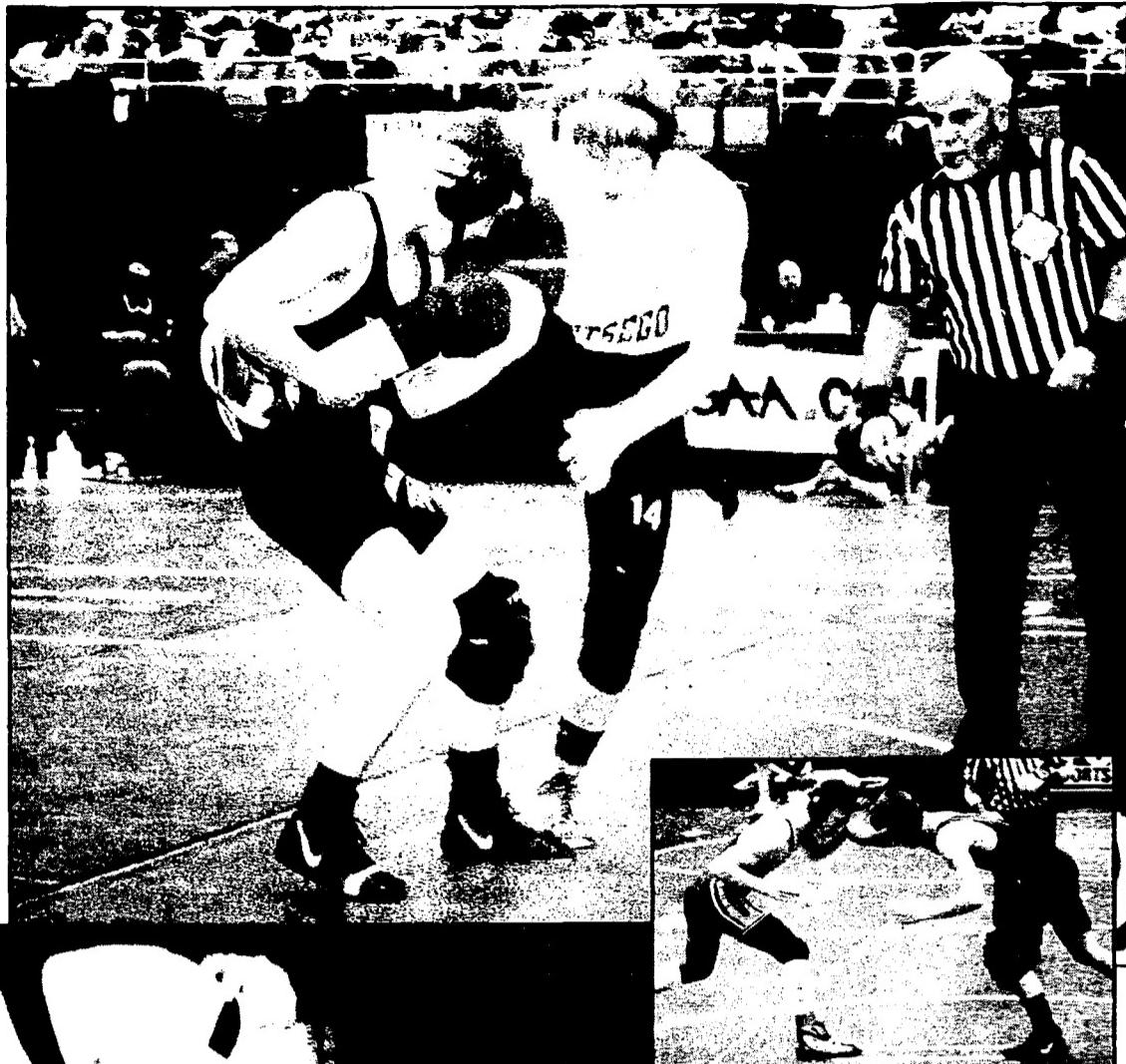
► Evon finishes highest for GHS at State with a 7th

Grayling High School's three state wrestling meet qualifiers -- Matt Evon, Josh Niederer, and Victor CdeBaca -- competed at the State Finals this past weekend at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit.

Evon, a senior, finished highest for Grayling, taking 7th place in the 125-pound division. Evon pinned his first opponent, then lost a 9-5 decision. He won a 6-4 decision (in overtime) in his next match to advance, then lost a 3-2 decision. Wrestling for 7th or 8th place, Evon scored a 7-2 decision to take 7th.

Senior Josh Niederer (130) lost his first match, then won his next match with a 6-4 decision. He was then eliminated from the competition with a 9-5 loss by decision in his third bout.

CdeBaca (189), an 11th grader at GHS, also lost his first match. He won his second contest 4-3 by decision, but lost his next match, ending his season.

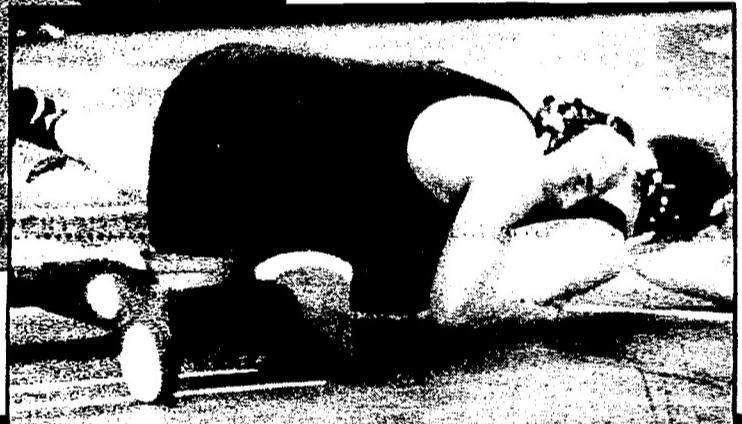


(Above, top) GHS wrestler Matt Evon finishes a single leg move in his last match of the State Finals. Evon took 7th place at State.

(Above) Evon goes for an ankle pick in his first match at State, which he won with a pin. Evon is only the fourth GHS wrestler ever to win state medals twice. (He took 2nd at State last year.)



(Above) Victor CdeBaca fights for position against a State Finals opponent. (Right) CdeBaca attempts to turn his opponent for a near fall point.



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(Above) Josh Niederer competes at State, performing a cradle move on a Chesaning opponent. (Left) Niederer tries to flatten out his opponent and go for a pin.

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Vikings fall to Gaylord in District finale

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Grayling led 16-15 after one quarter.

The Vikings owned the second quarter, holding Petoskey to eight points in the eight minutes. Grayling played with a lot of intensity on the defensive end, and scored 21 points in the quarter.

Highlights included three-pointers by Tobin (two) and Gorski, a jam by Hinkle to open the quarter, a reverse lay-up by Tobin, and a fast break bucket by Nick D'Amour.

Grayling led by 14 at halftime, 37-23.

The Viking offense cooled off in the third period, and Petoskey started to catch up. The Northmen outscored Grayling 17-12 in the quarter. The Vikings led 49-40 after three periods.

Grayling put in another strong defensive quarter in the fourth, holding Petoskey to eight points. The Vikings scored 14 points in the period, including a jumper and a jam by Hinkle, two three-pointers by Hawkins, a drive by Tobin, and a shot inside by Jeremy Latuszek on a nice pass by Hinkle.

Grayling won by 15, 63-48.

Hawkins led the team in scoring with 17 points. Tobin scored 15, Gorski added 12, and Hinkle hit for 11.

"Defensively, we really played well," said Coach Moffit. "Our kids did a great job of playing help defense. We also did a tremendous job of pressuring the basketball. I was very pleased with the effort that our kids gave tonight."

The Vikings finished the regular season 13-7, and posted a 2-1 playoff record this year.

"We really dug a hole for ourselves in the first half," Moffit continued. "Many of our turnovers led directly to Gaylord baskets. Our kids battled back from a 30-11 deficit to close the gap to five at the half. In the second half, we made a couple of runs but we were never able to close the gap to less than four."

"The end of the game was very emotional for our kids," Moffit said. "Our seniors have given their heart to this basketball program and it was very hard to end their season on this note."

Four Vikings scored in the match: Tobin led with 23, Hinkle hit for 20, Hawkins put in 19, and Gorski finished with 11 points.

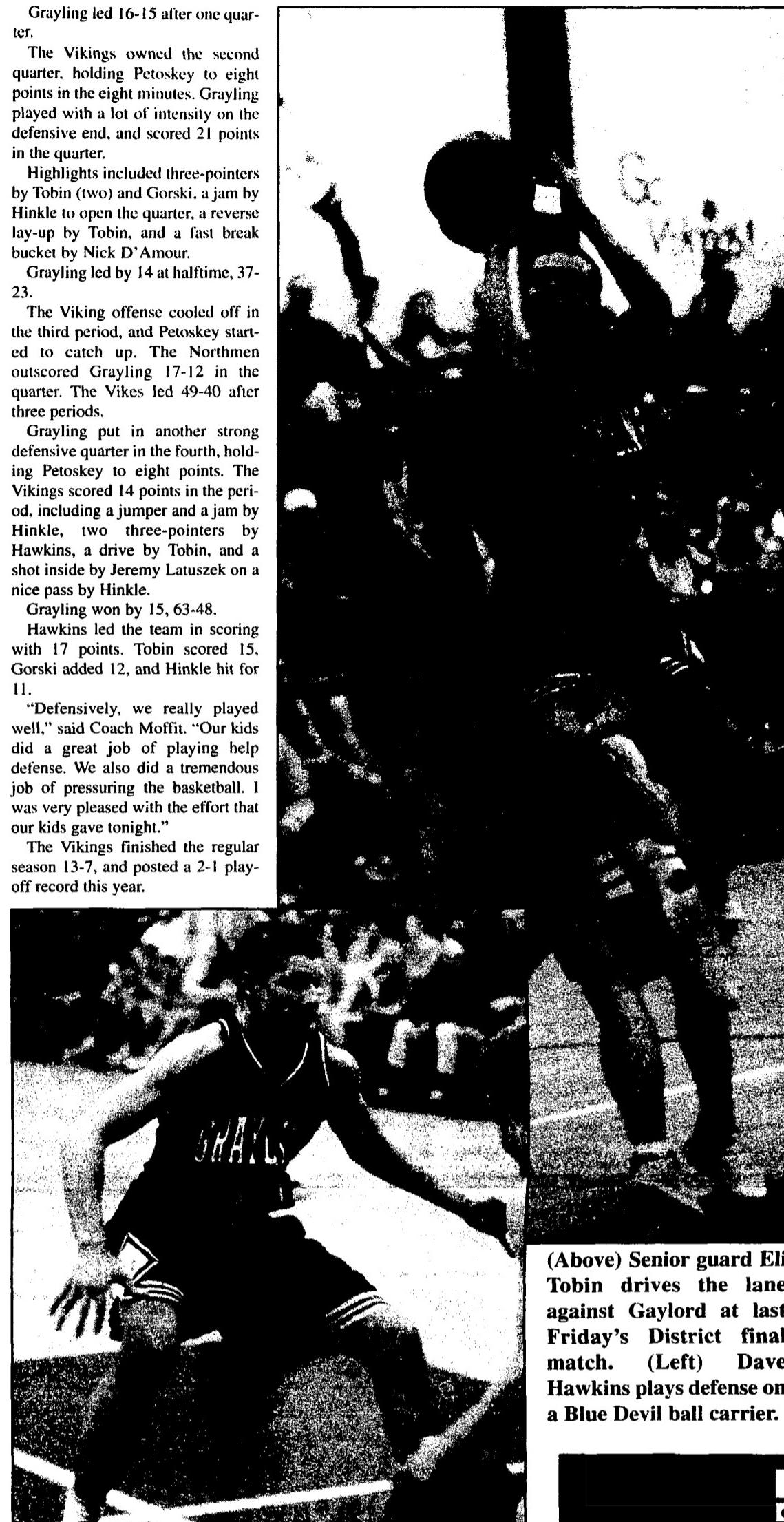
Grayling played a much better game in the semi-final match against Petoskey on Wednesday night, beating the Northmen by 15, 63-48.

The Vikings started out a little sluggish against Petoskey, but quickly picked up the pace.

Down 8-2 early, Hinkle hit a triple. The Northmen scored a bucket, then Grayling scored nine unanswered points, including a drive and a triple by Gorski, an alley-oop lay-up by Hawkins on a pass by Hinkle, and a tip-in by Hinkle.



GHS guard Brad Gorski goes up for a shot inside the key.



(Above) Senior guard Eli Tobin drives the lane against Gaylord at last Friday's District final match. (Left) Dave Hawkins plays defense on a Blue Devil ball carrier.

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Pinny too much for GHS at Regionals

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good season this year, winning several tournaments, including the Grayling Subway Invitational, the Petoskey Invitational, the Lake City Invitational, and Districts.

Two Grayling players, Melanie Paxton and Jenny Phillips, earned a place on the All-Conference 1st

Team this season. Mika Sumner was named to the 2nd Team, and Kristy Hulbert earned an Honorable Mention.

Voting for All-Conference by the league coaches ranked Phillips and Paxton as the fourth and fifth best players (respectively) in the NEMC this season.



Mel Paxton goes low to handle a shot in the back row (at Districts). Paxton was named to the All-Conference First Team this year.

Jenny Phillips goes up for a spike at the net. Phillips won a spot on the All-NEMC First Team this season.



Kristy Hulbert (right), a junior, sets to Mika Sumner and Mel Paxton. Hulbert earned an All-Conference Honorable Mention, and Sumner was named to the All-NEMC Second Team this year.

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Sawmill II	170
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Frederic Inn	135
Swamp	128
Plaza	118
Sawmill I	113
Legion	110
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6 Ball Runs: Rene of Spikes; Tina	

Men's Final Standings

Margretheville I	203 - 121
Legion	172 - 152
Plaza	166 - 158
Frederic Inn	156 - 168
Saw Mill	152 - 172
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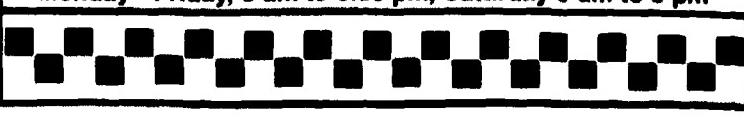
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McLean ACE	26 - 44
Upper Lakes Tire	19 - 51
High Game: P. Hetrick, 247; Lan. Davis, 238; J. Wood, 206.	
High Series: P. Hetrick, 613; J. Campbell, 565; M. Keir, 558.	
Friday Mixed Doubles	
Sledheads of Frederic	25 - 15
Aunt Betty's	24.5 - 15.5
Charles' Country Corner	21 - 19
R. Calkins & Sons	19 - 21
Fick & Sons	16 - 24
Moshier Auto Repair	14.5 - 25.5
High Game Men: C. Wilson, 200; C. Hanson, 192; M. Campbell, 190.	
High Series Men: M. Campbell, 553; C. Wilson, 512; C. Hanson, 490.	
National First	
Faustman's Insurance	52 - 18
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Forest Brothers	40 - 30

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GMS WRESTLING

On Saturday, March 11, the Grayling Middle School wrestling team traveled to Charlevoix to compete against 15 other teams from northern Michigan. The Vikings had 14 wrestlers in the championship round, making the meet look like a dual meet between Grayling and the rest of the north.

Individual winners for Grayling were: 1st place: Joey Ferrigan, James Walker, Adam Malone, Darryl Babbitt, Dusty Partello, Brandon Pratt; 2nd place: Zak Wegner, Brady Ward, Mike Gassman, Aaron Rosecrans; 3rd place: Brian Borchers, Zach Guardado, Greg Warren; 4th place: Justin Robinson.

The GMS wrestling squad will travel to Clare on March 18. Wrestling starts at 10 a.m. Come out and support the team.



GRA YOUTH WRESTLING

The Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) youth wrestling team competed at the Charlevoix Invitational tournament on Saturday, March 11.

Eleven of Grayling's 16 wrestlers finished in the top four in their divisions, earning medals: 1st place: Cody (Josh) Partello, Joey Contreras, Cody Malone, Corey Metzer;

2nd place: Mykel Revord, Matthew O'Connor; 3rd place: Zach Wolcott, Shane Grove; 4th place: Eric Madill, Jeff Harwood, Riley Zigila.

The team will be competing in Clare on Saturday, March 18.

LEGAL ACTION

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE Default having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by WOODROW S. LAFFERTY and TINA M. LAFFERTY, husband and wife, whose address is 3095 Poplar Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738 to THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now known as Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, with its District Office being located at 1501 Cass Street, Suite A, Traverse City, Michigan 49684, the Mortgagor, dated August 15, 1986 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan on August 15, 1986 in Liber 248 of Crawford County Records on Pages 326 through 329, inclusive, and by reason of such default the Mortgagor elects to declare the entire unpaid amount of such Mortgage due and payable forthwith, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR AND 46/100 (\$78,434.46) DOLLARS, and no proceed-

ings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative:

Now Therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Wednesday March 29, 2000 at 10:00 o'clock, local time, in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with 9.5 percent interest, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagor does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to wit:

Land and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of

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For further information with regard to this foreclosure contact Rural Development (formerly Farmers Home Administration), 240 West Wright Street, West Branch, Michigan 48661, telephone (517) 345-5470, facsimile (517) 345-4010.

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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
ANNUAL TAX SALE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD
ORDER FOR HEARING**

No. 99-4949-CZ

In the matter of the Petition of the State Treasurer of Michigan, for and in behalf of said State, for the sale of certain lands for unpaid property taxes.

The State Treasurer has petitioned this court for a judgment in favor of the State, against each parcel of land described in Schedule A, for the unpaid taxes, interest and charges on each parcel of land; and that the lands be sold for the amounts claimed due by the State.

It is ordered that the petition will be brought or hearing and judgment at the April term of this court, to be held at Gratiot, in the 4th Court, in Crawford, on the 7th day of April, 2000.

At the opening of Court on that day, all persons who have an interest in the lands or any part thereof, of whom wish to contest the bid claiming the State, shall appear in this Court and file their objections with the clerk on or before the first day of the term of this Court mentioned above, and a judge will be made as requested in the petition if the amounts due are not paid.

It is further ordered that the lands described in the petition, will be sold for the taxes, interest and charges on the first Tuesday in May, 2000, beginning at 10:00 A.M. on that day or thereafter, that are necessary to complete the sale of each parcel, at the office of the County Treasurer, or at a location selected by the Treasurer, at the County seat of the County mentioned above.

This sale will be open to the public and each parcel described in the judgment shall be separately offered for sale and sold to the person who pays the full amount charged against the parcel and accepts the smallest undivided interest in the property. Any parcel of land that is not sold on the first offering shall be reoffered on the succeeding day, or before the close of the sale. If not sold on the second offering the County Treasurer shall bid off the parcel in the name of the State.

Witness the Hon. Alton T. Davis, Circuit Judge, and the seal of Circuit Court of Crawford County this 3rd day of February, 2000.

Counsigner: Diana M. Anderson, Deputy Clerk.

Alton T. Davis, Circuit Judge

STATE TREASURER PETITION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

In the matter of the Petition of the State Treasurer of Michigan, for and in behalf of said State, for the sale of certain lands for unpaid property taxes.

To the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford

Mark A. Murray, State Treasurer of Michigan, shows unto the court:

1. That he is the Treasurer of Michigan and files this petition under the provisions of P.A. 396 of 1893, as amended, and P.A. 380 of 1965 as amended.

2. That the attached Schedule A is the tax record required by the act and contains the description of all lands in the above country upon which taxes assessed for the years mentioned thereto and have remained unpaid for more than one year after they were rendered delinquent or for land identified as certified special residential property under section 55a, 90 days after the lands were returned as delinquent.

3. That the amounts opposite each description of land are (a) the total amount of delinquent taxes which are lawfully to be sold at the next annual tax sale, (b) interest calculated as provided by law to the first day of year, (c) a county property tax administration fee of four percent, with a minimum of \$1.00, and \$10.00 for parcels, all in accordance with the act mentioned above.

4. That all of the taxes, interest and charges are valid and have remained delinquent for sufficient time to require the sale of the lands against which they were assessed at the next annual tax sale, and constitute a valid lien upon each of the parcels of land, and that a judgment be issued in favor of the State against the land for the payment of the amounts specified, and if not paid, that the lands be sold.

Therefore your plaintiff requests:

a. That within the time provided by law this court determine that the taxes, interest and charges on lands described in Schedule A are valid and constitute a valid lien upon each of the parcels of land.

b. That within the time provided by law this court make a final judgment in favor of the State of Michigan against each parcel of land for the payment of the taxes, interest and charges in Schedule A, and that the amounts in the column headed "Aggregate" shall constitute the amounts adjudicated against the lands, unless amended by this court.

c. That if the amounts in the schedule are not paid, the lands, or the portion that is necessary to satisfy the amount adjudicated against the lands, shall be separated separately at the tax sale as the law provides:

d. That your plaintiff may have such other and further relief that this court finds just and equitable.

Date: 1/3/00

Mark A. Murray, State Treasurer

By Sivaswami Amamuthu, Administrator

Local Property Services Division

Authorized representative of State Treasurer

Schedule 'A' Taxes

See Description Tax Sale
No. of Land Year Amount

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP**TOWN 25 NORTH RANGE 3 WEST**

1 20-050-003-005-060-00
E/2 OF NW/4 OF NE/4 OF NW/4 OF
SEC 3 T25N R3W 9.93 ACRES
1997 1,255.24

2 20-050-003-013-000-00
S/2 OF S/2 OF NE/4 OF SE/4 OF SEC
3 T25N R3W 10 ACRES
1997 320.17

3 20-050-006-011-024-00
COMM AT THE NW COR OF THE S/2
OF THE SW/4 OF SEC 6 T25N R3W.
FOR POB. TH DUE EAST 200 FT THI
SOUTH 200 FT TH WEST 200 FT THI
NORTH 200 FT TO THE POB SUBJECT
TO EXCEPTIONS & RESERVA-
TIONS OF RECORD.
1997 572.42

4 20-050-007-016-100-00
THE N 100 FT OF THE S/2 OF NE/4
OF SE/4 OF SE/4 1.5 ACRES LYING W/
OF HWY R/W SEC 7 T25N R3W
1997 565.02

5 20-050-007-016-260-00
THE S/2 OF N/2 OF SE/4 OF SE/4 OF
SE/4 OF SEC 7 LYING W OF HWY
LESS THE S 80 FT THEREOF. 1.3
ACRES. SEC. 7 T25N R3W.
1997 465.57

6 20-050-009-001-025-00
PARCEL A: PART OF THE NE/4 OF
SEC. 9 T25N R3W BEG AT THE NW
COR OF SAME AND RUNNING THE
S89 DEG 36M E ON THE SEC LINE
301.2 FT TH S1 DEG. 23M 45S W
326.2 FT TH N89 DEG 36M W 303.85
FT TO TH 1/4LINE TH N1 DEG. 20M E
TO THE POB. 2.25 AC
1997 361.92

7 20-050-010-009-020-00
PARCEL 1: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH S89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 704.71

8 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 2: BEING PART OF E 40
AC OF SW 1/4 OF SEC 10 T25N
R3W COMM ATW/4 COR OF SAID
SEC 10 TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.2 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 361.58

9 20-050-009-005-021-90
BEAVER CREEK ACRES : BEING THE
E/2 OF E/2 OF NE/4 OF NW/4
SEC 10 SW 1/4 PARCEL 9 10 ACRES
1997 332.49

10 20-050-020-011-100-00
THE SW 3/4 OF S/2 OF S/2 OF
HWY 500 FT TO POB CONT.
1997 332.49

11 20-050-020-008-120-00
THE NW 1/2 OF SE/4 OF NW/4 OF
SEC 10 TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 329.2 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

12 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 1: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.2 FT TO POB CONT.
1997 361.58

13 20-050-009-005-021-90
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SEC 10 SW 1/4 PARCEL 9 10 ACRES
1997 332.49

14 20-050-020-011-100-00
THE SW 3/4 OF S/2 OF S/2 OF
HWY 500 FT TO POB CONT.
1997 332.49

15 20-050-020-008-120-00
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ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 329.2 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

16 20-050-009-005-021-90
PARCEL 1: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

17 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 2: BEING PART OF E 40
AC OF SW 1/4 OF SEC 10 T25N
R3W COMM ATW/4 COR OF SAID
SEC 10 TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

18 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 3: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

19 20-050-009-005-021-90
BEAVER CREEK ACRES : BEING THE
E/2 OF E/2 OF NE/4 OF NW/4
SEC 10 SW 1/4 PARCEL 9 10 ACRES
1997 332.49

20 20-050-020-011-100-00
THE SW 3/4 OF S/2 OF S/2 OF
HWY 500 FT TO POB CONT.
1997 332.49

21 20-050-020-008-120-00
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ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 329.2 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

22 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 1: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
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329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

23 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 2: BEING PART OF E 40
AC OF SW 1/4 OF SEC 10 T25N
R3W COMM ATW/4 COR OF SAID
SEC 10 TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

24 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 3: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

25 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 4: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

26 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 5: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

27 20-050-010-009-030-00
PARCEL 6: BEING PART OF E 40
ACRES N 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SEC
10 T25N R3W COMM ATW/4 COR
OF SAID SEC TH N89 DEG 42M 30S E
ALG E & W 1/4 LINE 330.3 FT TH ST
DEG 13M 30S W ALG N & S 1/4 LINE
329.2 FT TH N89 DEG 43M 30SW
330.3 FT TH N1 DEG 13M 30S E
329.11 FT TO POB CONTAINS 2.5
ACRES
1997 465.57

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213	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 2 WEST OF NW/4 OF SEC. 9, T26N, R2W FOR POB TH W, 138 FT, TH S, 155 FT, TH E, 136 FT, TH N, 155 FT, TO POB 1997 609.30	1997	541.08	244	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 2 WEST PARCEL 16-Y THE N 864.94 FT OF THE SE/4 OF THE SW/4 OF SEC 21, T26N, R2W CONT 20.02 AC.	1997	832.65	269	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 3 WEST THE W 558.5 OF SE/4 OF NE/4 OF SEC 11, T26N R2W THE E 62 OF SW/4 OF NE/4 OF SEC 11 T26N R2W LYING S OF THE SUSQUEHANNA RIVER, EXCEPT PARCEL D CONT 21.21 AC. <td>1997</td> <td>3,554.28</td> <td>270</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST COMM. AT A PT. 24 FT E. & 100 FT S. OF THE 1/4 COR. COMMON TO SEC 10 & 15 T26N R2W FOR A POB, TH S050 32M W 486.2 FT TH S15D 35M E 78 FT TH S33 08M S03 S 645 6 FT, TH S54D 10M W 402 FT TH S37 33M E TO THE S. LINE OF GOVT. FRT, THENCE S37 DEG 33M E TO THE SOUTH LINE OF GOV T. FRT, SEC. 15 T26N R2W THE E ALG SD LINE TO SE COR OF SD LOT 1, TH N, ALG THE 1/8 LINE TO A PT. 100 FT S OF OF NE COR, TH W 1300 FT TO POB, MT.</td> <td>1997</td> <td>321.76</td> <td>298</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST E2/2 OF N2/2 OF S2/2 OF SE/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC. 8, T26N, R2W 2.5A. L-136 P-12 6.74</td> <td>1997</td> <td>188.95</td> <td>271</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF NW/4 OF SE/4 OF SEC 22 T26N R2W 1.14A.</td> <td>1997</td> <td>119.66</td> <td>246</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF E2/2 OF SW4 OF SW4 SEC 8 T26N R2W</td> <td>1997</td> <td>1,868.78</td> <td>248</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF E2/2 OF FNW4 OF NE/4/E OF SEC 22 & W/2 OF E2/2 OF E2/2 OF NW/4 OF SEC 4 LYING S OF M-72 5A. ML SEC 22 T26N R2W</td> <td>1997</td> <td>260.27</td> <td>272</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST ALL THAT PART OF GOF T LOT 2, SEC. 15, T26N R2W LYING EAST OF THE PLAT OF MARGARETTE MANOR.</td> <td>1997</td> <td>279.84</td> <td>337</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF E2/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF NW/4.5 A SEC 12 T26N R2W</td> <td>1997</td> <td>309.09</td> <td>339</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST E2/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF SEC 4 N2/2 OF N2/2 OF SW/4 OF NE/4 AND THE S2 5 FT OF W/2 OF W/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF NE/4 SECTION 14 T26N R3W</td> <td>1997</td> <td>440.79</td> <td>340</td> <td>TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST E2/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF SEC 4 N2/2 OF N2/2 OF SW/4 OF SEC 4 TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E</td> <td>1997</td> <td>486.41</td> <td>390</td> <td>TOWN 27 NORTH RANGE 1 WEST COMM/4 COR SEC 27 T27N R1W TH W 1332 FT TH TO POB 585' 507' TH N 545' 5 T TO RIVER 500' TH N ALG RIVER 220' TH W 1040' TH S TO POB 735' CON 8.8 AC. ML. ALSO 220 RIVER FRONT</td> <td>1997</td> <td>2,284.84</td> <td>423</td> <td>LOVELLS TOWNSHIP PLATS</td> <td>1997</td> <td>22.29</td> <td>424</td> <td>LOVELLS TOWNSHIP</td> <td>1997</td> <td>27.96</td>	1997	3,554.28	270	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST COMM. AT A PT. 24 FT E. & 100 FT S. OF THE 1/4 COR. COMMON TO SEC 10 & 15 T26N R2W FOR A POB, TH S050 32M W 486.2 FT TH S15D 35M E 78 FT TH S33 08M S03 S 645 6 FT, TH S54D 10M W 402 FT TH S37 33M E TO THE S. LINE OF GOVT. FRT, THENCE S37 DEG 33M E TO THE SOUTH LINE OF GOV T. FRT, SEC. 15 T26N R2W THE E ALG SD LINE TO SE COR OF SD LOT 1, TH N, ALG THE 1/8 LINE TO A PT. 100 FT S OF OF NE COR, TH W 1300 FT TO POB, MT.	1997	321.76	298	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST E2/2 OF N2/2 OF S2/2 OF SE/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC. 8, T26N, R2W 2.5A. L-136 P-12 6.74	1997	188.95	271	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF NW/4 OF SE/4 OF SEC 22 T26N R2W 1.14A.	1997	119.66	246	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF E2/2 OF SW4 OF SW4 SEC 8 T26N R2W	1997	1,868.78	248	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF E2/2 OF FNW4 OF NE/4/E OF SEC 22 & W/2 OF E2/2 OF E2/2 OF NW/4 OF SEC 4 LYING S OF M-72 5A. ML SEC 22 T26N R2W	1997	260.27	272	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST ALL THAT PART OF GOF T LOT 2, SEC. 15, T26N R2W LYING EAST OF THE PLAT OF MARGARETTE MANOR.	1997	279.84	337	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST W/2 OF E2/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF NW/4.5 A SEC 12 T26N R2W	1997	309.09	339	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST E2/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF SEC 4 N2/2 OF N2/2 OF SW/4 OF NE/4 AND THE S2 5 FT OF W/2 OF W/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF NE/4 SECTION 14 T26N R3W	1997	440.79	340	TOWN 26 NORTH RANGE 4 WEST E2/2 OF N2/2 OF NW/4 OF SEC 4 N2/2 OF N2/2 OF SW/4 OF SEC 4 TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E TO POB 1, M-15 100 FT W 150' E	1997	486.41	390	TOWN 27 NORTH RANGE 1 WEST COMM/4 COR SEC 27 T27N R1W TH W 1332 FT TH TO POB 585' 507' TH N 545' 5 T TO RIVER 500' TH N ALG RIVER 220' TH W 1040' TH S TO POB 735' CON 8.8 AC. ML. ALSO 220 RIVER FRONT	1997	2,284.84	423	LOVELLS TOWNSHIP PLATS	1997	22.29	424	LOVELLS TOWNSHIP	1997	27.96																																																																						
214	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF THE NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W CONT 10 AC.	1997	294.82	215	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	23.85	216	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	371.96	217	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	119.66	218	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	270.56	219	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	1,635.28	220	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	401.61	221	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	183.09	222	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. PART OF SEC. 22 & 23, T26N, R2W, 1.14A.	1997	377.62	223	THE S/2 OF THE S/2 OF THE SW/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 8 T26N R2W 15M ALG. SAID RW 320' FT, TH N, 33 DEG 42M E 175.0 FT, TH S, 72 DEG 00E, 96.4 FT TO THE POB, P. 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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Regular Board Meeting of February 16, 2000

The Regular Meeting of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Lynnette Corlew at 9:45 a.m. in the County Building on February 16, 2000.

Roll Call: Corlew, Wieland, Golnick, Hansen, Pinkelman.

Absent: Beardslee.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk - Present.

Paul Compo - County Controller - Present.

Others were present at various times.

--Approved to move the time clock from the Building and Zoning Department to the employees break room for usage by all employees.

--Approved to return to COAM/POAM Union meeting for one last attempt in negotiating.

--Approved to move the time clock from the Building and Zoning Department to the employees break room for usage by all employees.

--Approved to authorize Chairperson Corlew to sign letters of support for the three Michigan Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control for the following grants: Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs Education and Prevention Program; County Computer Coordination integration and interfacing grant, and Juvenile Prevention Officer through the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant.

--Approved to appoint Barbara Clark Greene to the Library Board for a term ending 10-31-2001.

--Approved to appoint Ken Riehle to the Road Commission for a term ending 12-31-2004.

--Approved to extend into the 2000 Fish Hatchery Lease Agreement with the Grayling Recreation Authority for the year 2000.

--Moved to approve the concept of the Grayling Township proposal and pursue avenues to establish a Township Park at the Old Fish Hatchery property location.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

A full context of the meeting minutes is on file in the Clerk's Office.

Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE Default having been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by SCOTT A. & MICHELLE G. HUBER, HUSBAND AND WIFE to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THOUGH THE FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE now known as USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee, dated March 19, 1991, and recorded on March 19, 1991, in Liber 323, on page 31, CRAWFORD COUNTY Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN AND 19/100 (\$58,747.19) DOLLARS (consisting of \$30,709.43 in principal and interest on the First Mortgage and \$28,037.76 in principal and interest on the Second Mortgage), and no proceedings having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative:

Now Therefore, Notice is Herby Given

that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgages and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgages will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue in the City of Grayling and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Wednesday April 12, 2000 at 10:00 o'clock, local time, in the forenoon of said day, and said premises will be sold to pay

TAXPAYERS OF FREDERIC TOWNSHIP

The Frederic Township Board of Review will meet for its organizational meeting on March 7, 2000 at 9 a.m.

The Board of Review will meet with petitioners on the following dates:

Monday, March 13, 2000	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Saturday, March 18, 2000	9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

All meetings will be held at the Township Hall, 7564 County Rd. 612. The purpose of these meetings will be to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, classifications and to answer any questions pertaining to the tax roll.

Classification	Factor	Ratio
Agricultural	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Commercial	50.00	1.0000
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Timber/Cut Over	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000

Brian Hulbert
Frederic Township Supervisor

-9-16-23-30

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY OF GRAYLING

The City Board of Review will meet for its organizational meeting on March 7, 2000 at the new location on M-72 West at 7:30 p.m.

The Board will meet with taxpayers to review assessments and taxable values in the Crawford County Building at the West end of Michigan Avenue on the following dates:

Monday, March 13, 2000	9 a.m. to 12 noon & 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday, March 18, 2000	9 a.m. to 12 noon & 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

The following are the tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property within the City of Grayling:

Class	Factor	Multiplier
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000
Personal	50.00	1.00000
Utilities	50.00	1.00000

Larry D. Hunter
City Assessor
City of Grayling

-24-2-9-16

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township's Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. at the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, Michigan 49738. Telephone: (517) 348-4361.

The Board of Review will re-convene at the same address to meet with taxpayers starting at 9:00 a.m. Monday, March 13, 2000 until 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. This year the Board of Review will also be held on Thursday, March 16th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 18th from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Petitioners will be received on a "first-come-first-served basis" and can also protest by mail.

CLASS	TENTATIVE RATIO	FACTOR
Agricultural	45.87	1.00000
Commercial	49.65	1.00000
Industrial	42.66	1.00000
Residential	46.99	1.00000

Terry Wright, Supervisor
Monica Ashton, Clerk

the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgages together with 11.875 percent interest on the First Mortgage and 8.0 percent interest on the Second Mortgage, legal costs, attorneys' fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgagee does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit: Land and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, having a corrected legal description as follows:

The West 99 feet of the East 198 feet of the West half of the West half of the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter, Section 28, Township 25 North, Range 2 West. (Also commonly known as 2285 East Pioneer Road, Roscommon, Michigan 48653.)

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

For further information with regard to this foreclosure contact Rural Development (formerly Farmers Home Administration), 240 West Wright Street, West Branch, Michigan 48661, telephone (517) 345-5470, facsimile (517) 345-4010.

Dated: February 28, 2000

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the Farmers Home Administration (now Rural Development), United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee

Robert J. Zitta (P22749)

Attorney for Mortgagee

SCHEUERLE & ZITTA

300 Washington Street

P.O. Box 212

Grand Haven, MI 49417

(616) 842-1470

.9-16-23-30

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR
ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT.
ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN

WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charles M. Baker a single man (original mortgagor) to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., dba America's Wholesale Lender, Mortgagee, dated January 27, 1999, and recorded on February 17, 1999 in Liber 474, on Page 440, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SIXTY-SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT AND 28/100 dollars (\$66,638.28) including interest at 7.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on April 19, 2000.

Said premises are situated in city of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel No. 1: Beginning on the South line of Government Lot 4, Section 15, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, and Easterly side of Grayling Avenue; thence North 10 Degrees West along Grayling Avenue 100.0 Feet; thence South 89 Degrees 14 Minutes East 200 Feet; thence South 10 Degrees East 100.0 Feet; thence North 89 Degrees 14 Minutes West 200 Feet to point of

beginning, and also the South 98.4 Feet of Lot 49 Oak Acres Park, according to the recorded Plat thereof.

Parcel No. 2: Commencing 234.8 Feet West of the Northeast corner of Government Lot 1, Section 22, Town 26 North, Range 4 West; thence South 194.3 Feet on the Easterly side of Grayling Avenue, a street on the Easterly side of Grayling Park, a Subdivision of part of Government Lot 1; thence South 10 Degrees East along said Grayling Avenue, 179.2 Feet; thence South 86 Degrees 56 Minutes East 148.7 Feet, thence North 4 Degrees 32 Minutes East, 178.7 Feet to the point of beginning. Being part of Government Lot 1, Section 22, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: March 9, 2000
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

248-593-1306

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File # 200011836

Mustangs

-9-16-23-30-6

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Road Commission for Crawford County will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting) on Thursday, March 30, 2000 at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for furnishing season requirements of the following materials and/or items:

Aggregates - F.O.B. Suppliers Pit

Corrugated Plastic Pipe

Corrugated Metal Pipe

Hot Mix & Cold Patch Asphalt

Pavement Striping

All materials must meet current Michigan Department of Transportation specifications. Additional information may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

Specifications and bid documents may be obtained by contacting the Road Commission for Crawford County at the above address. Bids must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked as to the contents.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informality in the bids and to award the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners

Tom Perry, Chairman
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman
Ken Riehle, Commissioner

-9-16

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Please be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on March 27, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Office, 2090 Viking Way, to hear the following cases:

Case #00-2: Timothy Slane, petitioner.

Brady Maxon, owner.

T27N, R3W, Sec. 2

5652 Vista Drive

NRD Zone.

A request to construct a 1680 sq. ft. residence with attached garage to replace

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of March 19-25

Aries March 21-April 20

Adventurous may describe your recent outlook on life. Maybe it's time you do something about it. Take a trip somewhere you have wanted to go for a long time. Don't forget a date that's very important to a close friend or relative.

Taurus April 21-May 21

A comfortable relationship won't stay that way for long. Take some time to rethink an important decision. Your spring plans should include an attitude adjustment. You're not winning friends.

Gemini May 22-June 21

Problems surround you, but don't give up hope. Talk things out at home before they get any worse. Use an idea at work to help resolve a bad predicament. Expect to hear from a long-lost friend or lover within the next few weeks.

Cancer June 22-July 22

Your independent streak is coming through loud and clear—not a good idea considering the situation at work. It will strain a tenuous relationship. Look to a new source for the answer to the problem. You may be surprised by the help you get.

Leo July 23-August 23

An interesting week awaits you. Face it head on. Lending money to a friend is not a good idea. It tends to ruin good relationships, and yours is not the exception. Look for the positive in a situation concerning some family members.

Virgo August 24-September 22

Your sense of humor may win you some new friends and allies. And when you face emotional turmoil in the next few weeks, you'll deal with it best by laughing. A close personal friend is depending on your support for a major problem.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago March 17, 1977

The latest word from Bear Archery officials indicates that no drastic changes have resulted from the sale of the parent company of the local industry. The local industry and Victor Comptometer Corp. have been sold in principle to Walter Kidde and Co. Robert Kelly, VP of Bear Archery here, says that business will be conducted as usual. He would make no further comments on the latest developments and their effect on the local industry.

The committee in charge of the White Pine Stampede sat down with several Lansing and Grayling officials on Wednesday and began working out the possibilities of federal funding for the annual event.

The Kirtland Community College Board of Directors have appointed Raymond Homer to the position of acting president of the school until a new appointment is made.

A fire broke out in the maintenance room of Mercy Hospital about 11 a.m. on March 8. A worker in the room smelled something burning in an elevator electrical control panel and pulled the doors open on it. As soon as he saw the flames he immediately called the switchboard, hospital personnel were dispatched to their fire stations for possible evacuation and police and firemen were summoned. By the time they arrived the maintenance man had extinguished the blaze. No evacuation of patients was necessary and elevator service was fully restored after 10 hours.

46 Years Ago March 18, 1954

The Grayling Post 106, American Legion has ordered two new bowling alleys to be installed in the Legion Community Bowling building, according to A.J. Nelson, chairman of the Legion's building com-

mittee. Their installation will raise to a full eight, the number of bowling alleys in the building.

Anthony J. Trudeau Jr., of Grayling, a City of Grayling employee received a severe gash on his leg which resulted in his hospitalization Monday. He was operating the City tractor on the banks of the AuSable River near the US-27 bridge where city trucks were dumping snow picked up from Michigan Avenue. The hydraulic shovel on the front of the tractor caught on the edge of the bank causing the machine to slip down the bank into the river.

The highly rated and pregame favorites, the Grayling Vikings were upset in their first regional games last Thursday night by the Charlevoix Red Rayders.

Marvin Bielski and Richard Hamilton, members of the Biking basketball squad were named to the Detroit Free Press Class C All-State squad. Bielski was named to the second team while Hamilton was given honorable mention.

59 Years Ago March 19, 1931

George L. Alexander, attorney and pioneer citizen of Grayling, passed away Tuesday at his home at the age of 80 years.

The Lumberjacks week's activities netted them two victories and one defeat, running their total games won up to 20 and total games lost 6. Next Wednesday they leave to participate in a tri-state tourney at East Liverpool, Ohio.

The General Motors Radio Corporation announces the appointment of Frank Tetu as their dealer in Grayling.

Robert Henry Morris, five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Morris, passed away at Mercy Hospital Friday of bronchial pneumonia.

The usual single village ticket in the field carried with little or no opposition. Charles O. McCullough was elected village president receiving 172 of the 189 votes cast. Others elected were Lorane Sparkes, clerk; Carl W. Peterson, treasurer; James W. Sorenson, assessor, and Thomas Cassidy, Nelson Corwin and Peter F. Jorgenson, trustees. Other members of the Council are Emil Giegling, A. L. Roberts and A. J. Joseph.

Frank R. Deckrow who has been ill for some time was downtown this week, first time in several months.

92 Years Ago March 19, 1908

Our spring of last week caught cold Monday, making everybody think of three months more winter in March.

S. S. Phelps has moved his grocery stock from the south side store to the old bank building on Cedar Street, where he is better than ever prepared to serve his customers.

The Grayling Mercantile Company occupies our front page today. It is cheering to know that this popular firm has certainty in the future of Grayling, else they would not go to the expense of remodeling their store as proposed. A new front will be put in and a broad inside stairway to the second built and all will be arranged as a first-class up-to-date department store.

Esbren Hanson returned from California Tuesday. We have not yet had an opportunity to swap yarns with him, but he looks fit as a fiddle.

Forrest Wilcox and family have arrived in town to be present at the golden wedding of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Wilcox.

Grayling boys are still going to the front. Emil Hanson has been moved to the top in the R.R. office in Hammond, Ind., with a raise in salary, and Carl Johnson takes his old place.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Spinach-Cheese Bagel Bites

Makes 8 servings

Prep Time: 15 minutes

Cook Time: 10 minutes

4 one-day-old bagels

4 oz. fresh spinach, stems removed, chopped (about 4 cups)

1 cup shredded provolone cheese

3/4 cup shredded swiss cheese

1/3 cup minced onion

1/4 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. pepper

1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg

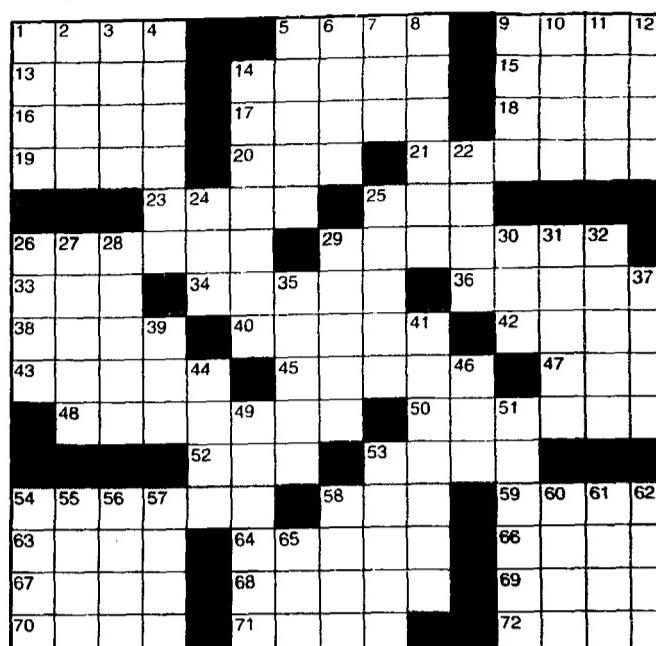
Preheat oven to 375°. Split

bagels in half horizontally. With a grapefruit spoon, hollow out some of the bread*. Place spinach in microwavable bowl; sprinkle lightly with water. Cover loosely and microwave on high until spinach is wilted, about 1 minute, 20 seconds. Remove and drain well. Combine spinach, cheeses and remaining ingredients, except bagels. Place bagel shells on foil-lined baking sheet. Place about 1/4 cup cheese mixture on each bagel. Bake bagel until cheese has melted and edges are lightly toasted, about 8 to 10 minutes. Cut each bagel half into quarters to make a total of 32 pieces.



HOME NEEDED - Zima is a 2 year old golden retriever mix. He is gentle, friendly and housebroken. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. '50s soda
5. Shamrock isle
9. Drive the getaway car, e.g.
13. Kim Basinger's man
14. Make amends
15. Have enmity
16. Le _____ Goriot
17. Become too nervous to perform
18. Rock Hall of Famer James
19. Be apparently true
20. Maze traveler
21. Maiden
23. The Bard's river
25. "I'm Dickens _____ Fenster"
26. Odd instrument in "The 1812 Overture"
29. _____ for Bonzo
33. Indignation
34. Du Pont's drip-dry discovery
36. Not active, as a gas
38. Pulis, as a disabled car
40. Spiritual food
42. Singer Laine
43. _____ board
45. "The Eve of St. Agnes" poet
47. Fire prevention month: abbr.
48. Stirr.
50. Jeers
52. Palmas
53. Unskilled laborer
54. Mr. Sammler's (Below)
58. Soldier substance
59. Gloomy
63. Kauai's neighbor
64. Not married
66. _____ Is Not Enough
67. Son Judah
68. Breeds
69. Cairo's waterway
70. Lorna Doone, for one
71. Promontory
72. List abbr.

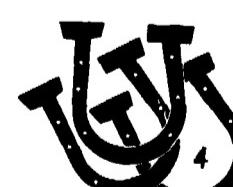
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1. Drowses
2. Part of a Civil War signature
3. *If Can't Happen* (Sinclair Lewis novel)
4. 1984 Hutton film about a chilling discovery
5. *Frome*
6. Horseradish or ginger
7. Squid's squirt
8. Had occasion for
9. Interruptive sound
10. Clubs
11. Small: suffix
12. Certain duck
14. MADD, for one
22. Italian wine town
24. Maria _____ Trapp

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS



FIND THE TWINS WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



ANSWER: TWO AND FOUR



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	Precip	Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Excite Weather: Wednesday - high in the mid 30's, low in the 20's and a chance of snow. Thursday - high in the mid 30's, low of 10-15 and a chance of snow. Friday - high of 30 and low of 10-15 and dry. Saturday - high of 50 and low in the mid 30's and a chance of snow.
3/7	74	40		
3/8	78	44		
3/9	51	14		
3/10	26	6		
3/11	36	9		
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1. Real Estate

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Redemption Period: six (6) months

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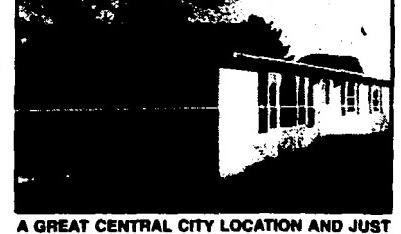
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THE PERFECT RENTAL INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY. This three unit triplex is located on the main branch of the famous AuSable River, in the heart of Grayling. Conveniently located near schools and medical facilities, it has the best location. The three units are approximately equal in size, 580 square feet. Each has one bedroom, a spacious bathroom, a dining room, kitchen combination and a large living room. \$118,000 CS-1082



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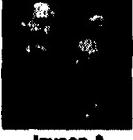
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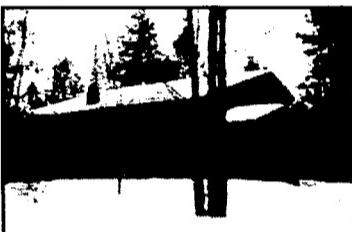
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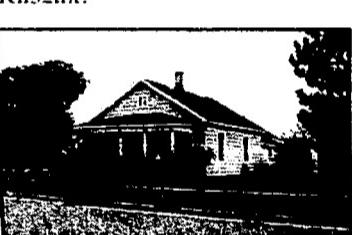
COUNTRY HOME ON 10 WOODED ACRES!! Check out this 3 bedroom home with family room, fireplace, sauna, 2.5 baths, office, enclosed front porch, wrap around deck, 2 car garage with attached work shop. MLS# 9-9677 \$155,000 Call Shirley Furstenau at Wildwood Properties Inc. to view this home. Toll free at 888-613-6565 or evenings at 517-275-4381

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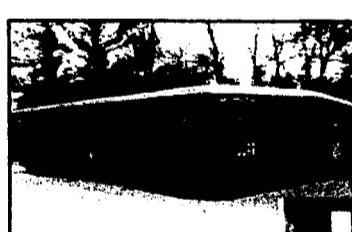
Beautiful open floor plan offering a span of about 40 feet by 15 feet from kitchen through to the living room, with a nice focal point on the large bricked fireplace. Some updates have been made on the following: new drain field in 1999, new furnace in 1989, new hot water tank around 1989, 2 bedrooms, and an attached garage. #4570 \$62,000 Ask for Connie Winans!



Beautiful view from elevated site with deeded access to Devereaux Lake. Home is approximately 125 feet from the water all on 15 acres of land. #4565 \$147,000 Ask for John Kuszak!



Exclusive custom built home on Fox Run Country Club 18 hole golf course of gorgeous rolling hills, valleys and woodlands. Private 181' frontage on the 10th fairway. Home offers a stunning stone fireplace reaching to the peak of the large cathedral, tongue and groove ceiling. Other features include a lot of natural lighting, beamed ceiling, room, island in the center, plus a gas fireplace & spa in the master bedroom. Master bath suite offers ceramic tile, double showers and sinks and an enormous walk-in closet. Paved circle driveway with an "Awesome" curb appeal. Shown by appointment only. Golf course membership available. Motivated Seller! #4409 Ask for Debbie Bondar!



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7. Miscellaneous

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